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Wastewater
meeting

Hancock County Wastewater District #1 will have a recessed meeting on Monday, Oct. 26 at 3:30 p.m.

The public is invited to attend.

The meeting will be held at the district office at 3068 Longfellow St., Bay St. Louis.

Jamboree
rescheduled

The sixth annual St. Ann & St. John Seafood Jamboree has been rescheduled to Saturday, Oct. 24, 10 a.m. - 10 p.m.

The jamboree will be held at St. Ann's Church pavilion and grounds on Lower Bay Road, Clermont Harbor.

Boat ramp
to be closed

The Washington Street boat ramp in the City of Bay St. Louis will be closed for the next 30 days due to the construction of a new boat ramp.

Halloween
carnival

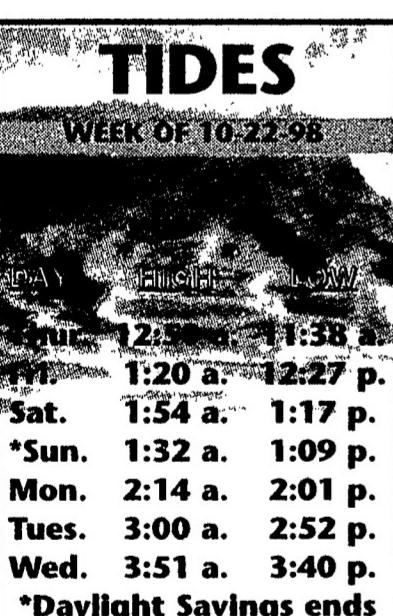
Waveland Wal-Mart is hosting their third annual Halloween carnival on Saturday, Oct. 24, from 5:30-8:30 p.m. to benefit Children's Miracle Network.

There will be games, hayrides, candy searches, haunted house and a raffle of a 19" color TV.

Also, there will be a costume contest for ages 0-6 years and 7-12 years. There will be three winners in each age group.

Shoppers are asked to please bring in non-perishable goods that night for a free coupon for the carnival. This will benefit the Hancock County Food Pantry.

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Audit firm 'stuck' by Bay bookkeeping

BY MARY G. SEILEY

The firm that routinely audits Bay St. Louis' municipal books says it's "stuck" in a sea of unanswered questions and may abort its relationship with the city because of continued frustrations.

Steven Dockens of Moore & Powell told City Council members Monday that the firm is considering dropping Bay St. Louis from its clientele rather than sign up to audit the books for fiscal year 1998.

As it is, said Dockens and audit manager Gayle Reddien, the 1997 audit has been set aside by the firm, unfinished. That's because the 1998 fiscal year just ended and other clients are waiting, with records in hand, to have their audits begun, said Dockens.

The comments came as Moore & Powell personnel reviewed the results of the city's 1996 audit, completed last spring. Dockens said overall the city was in good financial shape at that time, but he noted that the data is so old at this point it doesn't necessarily reflect the city's existing condition.

And he warned that given the slow pace of action from City Hall concerning computer software problems, the city should be gearing up immediately to ensure that all its data isn't wiped out in the year 2000. Municipal Clerk Robert Parker said the problem "has already been addressed."

Dockens told council members that his firm's auditors abhor working on Bay St. Louis' audits.

"This job's never been one really ever done the way we'd like, where everything is ready" to be audited, he said. But the past couple of years, he added, have been "really frustrating" in terms of information gathering. "To be honest, we're considering not even doing the 1998 audit," said Dockens.

One frustrated staff member who had worked on past year audits for the city cited his frustrations along those lines when he left the firm, said Dockens.

He added, however, the Bay St. Louis situation wasn't the only problem that auditor had cited—he also worked on straightening out Jackson County's books.

"You can see if my staff are

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Pass native receives Bronze Star for valor

BY ED LEPOMA

Family and friends packed Pass Christian City Hall chambers Tuesday when native son George J. McDonald was honored for heroism in Vietnam 33 years after the battle.

McDonald, a cousin of Major Billy McDonald, was officially awarded the Bronze Star, one of the highest U.S. Army awards for valor in combat. The medal, with V for valor, was pinned on McDonald by Maj. Gen. Fletcher Coker of the Mississippi Army National Guard, while McDonald's elderly mother, Flora, looked on.

Fletcher recalled that he was in Vietnam in 1965 during the same time McDonald served, but about 100 miles south of McDonald. His voice swelled with emotion and he choked up recalling how it felt to jump out of a helicopter and

see your best friend killed in front of you. He apologized that the Army took so long to recognize McDonald's heroism, but said he was proud to participate in ceremonies "honoring this great American."

Lt. Col. Tim Powell read the proclamation, signed by the President of the United States. The proclamation described McDonald's heroism. It read:

"For meritorious achievement at the risk of his life, Specialist Four George J. McDonald, while participating in a search-and-destroy mission in la Drange Valley of Vietnam with the 1st Battalion, 7th Cavalry on Nov. 14-15, 1965, distinguished himself by valor in action."

"Upon landing in a helicopter assault, he aggressively took the attacking North Vietnamese

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Controlled car burn

Bay St. Louis firefighters attack a burning auto during the Bay St. Louis Public Safety Day II last Saturday during a controlled car burn. Hancock Medical Center, Coast Electric, Hancock Exchange Club, and VFW joined Bay St. Louis Mayor, Council, Police and Fire Departments during this day of safety promotion. (Echo staff photo by Ellis C. Cuevas)

DMR slashes county, cities Tidelands funds

BY ED LEPOMA

With damage to public facilities from Hurricane Georges still mounting, political leaders in Hancock County and its two cities were dealt another cruel

blow this week.

At Wednesday's recess meeting of the Board of Supervisors, it was learned that the state Department of Marine Resources has cut the

annual Tidelands funding to the county, Bay St. Louis and Waveland.

Hancock County had requested \$300,000 for fiscal year 1999, with most to be used

for the second phase of construction on the county marina, now taking shape on Pleasure Street off Lakeshore Road. Instead, DMR Executive Director E.G. Woods sent a letter

to supervisors informing them that the county would receive only \$189,197.

Woods said lease revenues

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Bay St. Louis pier project takes another blow

BY MARY G. SEILEY

The beleaguered Bay St. Louis pier project has taken another blow.

Mayor Eddie Favre said Tuesday the city's not going to

get a promised \$400,000 to complete the project. Instead, he said, the Department of Marine Resources has cut its grant to \$252,000, Favre told City Council.

The mayor said DMR plans to cutback all of the 1998 Tidelands Trust Fund awards by some 40 percent, in light of unexpectedly low collections from bottom land leases.

Ironically, the city plans to open bids on Friday on the pier's completion. Clarke Construction Co. is building the first, 700-foot segment of the pier at Ulman Street. Another

Foster care makes difference in lives

BY BETSY GAGNET

Five families in Hancock County are making a difference every day in the lives of children who are looking for a place to call home.

They are foster families, families who have opened their homes and their hearts to less fortunate children and have created new families with new members in need of what a loving home has to offer.

Dealing with the problems of a foster child is not easy. It can be disruptive and is always time consuming. But for the families who choose to take on the responsibilities, the rewards are great.

"With foster kids, they've lost so much, they don't know who to trust," said Evelyn Newkirk, a foster parent for 23 years. "It's hard. As parents we have to learn what the child's problems are and how to deal with them."

It's the progress that is made in dealing with those problems that Newkirk said is so rewarding.

She told the story of a two-year-old little boy who ate four entire plates of food the first night he came to her house.

"At night we'd find food in his bed that he had taken to bed with him," said Newkirk. "It took months and months for him to realize that tomorrow there would be more food."

Kat Hosty became a foster parent 10 years ago.

"It was scary. I didn't know what to expect," said Hosty, who, at the time, had no children of her own. "We went to class first to even see if we wanted to do it."

Hosty's first foster child was a two-year-old, complete with temper tantrums and everything else the age brings.

contract was to be let for an additional 500-foot segment.

Favre said Tuesday the city has been in touch with a number

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Making a difference

Five families in Hancock County have opened up their homes and their hearts to children in foster care. Pictured from left are, Kat Hosty, June Johnston, Jim Johnston, Rhonda Malley and Evelyn Newkirk. Not pictured is Lily Sams. (Echo staff photo by Betsy Gagnet)

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MARGARET CARVER

Margaret J. Carver, 73, of Pearlington, died Friday, Oct. 16, 1998 in Slidell.

Mrs. Carver was a native of Hancock County. She was a homemaker and was a member of First Southern Baptist Church of Pearlington.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Arnold E. Carver.

Survivors include two daughters, Gloria Hughes of Pearlington and Sharon Blackwell of Biloxi; a son, Arnold T. Carver of Picayune; three sisters, Cordell Kehner of Picayune, Gracie George of Caesar Community and Elsie McKean of Picayune; four brothers, John D. Jones of Picayune, Herbert Jones of New Jersey, Carroll Jones of Pearl River, La., and Patrick Jones of Picayune; eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Visitation was Sunday evening at McDonald Funeral Home in Picayune. Services were conducted Monday at First Southern Baptist Church in Pearlington, followed by burial in Log Town Cemetery.

CECILE B. CROWLEY

Cecile Bonneval Crowley, of Waveland, died Sunday, Oct. 18, 1998, in Bay St. Louis.

Mrs. Crowley was a native of New Orleans.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Louis Henry Bonneval and Angela Marie Garcia; and a son, Donald Jules Crowley; two brothers, Alfred W. Bonneval and Eugene G. Bonneval; and sisters Hercyna B. Beoubay, Hilda B. Denley, Thelma B. Gerlinger, Angela B. Todt, Erna B. Hartmann and Edwin B. Montarnat.

Survivors include her husband, Edwin J. "Jack" Crowley Jr.; a son, Gary Edwin Crowley; her brother, Arthur E. Bonneval, a granddaughter, Erin Maureen Crowley; and many nieces and nephews.

A Funeral Mass was celebrated Wednesday in the chapel of Jacob Schoen and Son Inc. Funeral Home in New Orleans.

Burial was in St. Louis No. 2 Cemetery in New Orleans.

Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis was in charge of local arrangements.

The family prefers memorials in her name to the Brothers of the Sacred Heart Foundation, 720 Hearthstone Drive, Baton Rouge, La. 70806-5509.

ROY JOSEPH CUEVAS

Roy Joseph Cuevas, 68, of Bay St. Louis, died Monday, Oct. 19, 1998, in Hammond.

Mr. Cuevas was a native of Kiln and a lifelong resident of Bay St. Louis. He was a member of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church and the Adoration Chapel Group. He was an independent carrier for The Sun Herald for 21 years, an employee of Ingalls Shipbuilding in Pascagoula for 22 years and a member of the Hancock County Sheriff's Department for numerous years. He was also a member of the International Association of Machinists.

He was preceded in death by his son, Rodney Dwayne Cuevas; and his parents, Aras Nazaire and Mary Eloise Tartavoule Cuevas.

Survivors include his wife, Margaret Bennett Cuevas of Bay St. Louis; three sons, Roy B. Cuevas of Lizana, Ronald A. Cuevas of Bay St. Louis, and Randy Cuevas of Long Beach; a daughter, Melanie Cuevas Bishop of Pass Christian; two brothers, Leroy A. Cuevas of Kiln and Gussy A. Cuevas of Waveland; a sister, Mary Pearl Cuevas Tyner of Waveland; and six grandchildren.

Visitation will be today, 7 p.m.-midnight with recitation of the rosary at 8 p.m. at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. A funeral proces-

sion will leave the funeral home Friday, Oct. 23 at 10:40 a.m. for an 11 a.m. Mass to be celebrated at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in Bay St. Louis.

Burial will be in Bayou Coco Cemetery in Kiln.

JOHN J. CULPEPPER

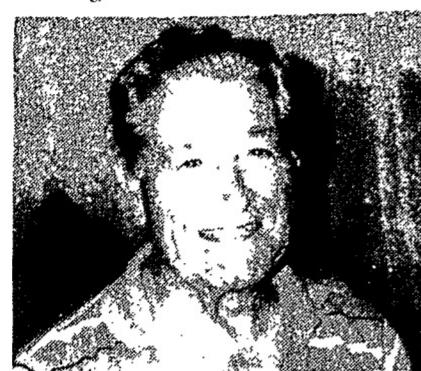
John Joseph Culpepper, 69, of Pass Christian, died Saturday, Oct. 17, 1998, in Gulfport.

Mr. Culpepper was a native of Oak Grove, La., and had been a resident of the Coast for more than 50 years. He was a commercial fisherman.

Survivors include three daughters Alma Liles of Biloxi, Jacqueline Vo of Biloxi and Mollee Khan of New York, N.Y.; his ex-wife, Margie Bell Culpepper of Long Beach; and six grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Riemann Funeral Home in Gulfport is in charge of arrangements.



WILLIAM L. FRYER SR.

William Louis Fryer Sr. of Diamondhead, died Friday, Oct. 16, 1998, in Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Fryer was retired from New Orleans Novelty Co. after 37 years. He was a member of The Sons of Confederate Veterans and was a member of B. K. of A. He was a native of New Orleans.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John F. Fryer Sr. and Josephine Ross Fryer; a sister, Isabel Schmalz; and brothers, Lester Fryer and John Fryer Jr.

Survivors include his wife, Rosadel Schlesman Fryer of Diamondhead; a son, William L. Fryer Jr. of Bay St. Louis; a daughter, Ja-Net Bonura of Diamondhead; and four grandchildren.

A memorial service will be conducted 9 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 24 at Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis where friends may call an hour before service time.

A memorial service will also be held Saturday at 1 p.m. in the chapel of Jacob Schoen & Son Funeral Home, 3827 Canal Street, New Orleans, where friends may call after noon.

Burial will follow in Greenwood Cemetery in New Orleans.

The family prefers memorials to the American Heart Association.

BURLIN (DEEK) HAWKINS

Burlin (Deek) Hawkins, 47, of Waveland, died Thursday, Oct. 15, 1998, in Waveland.

Mr. Hawkins was employed with CSX Railroad for 15 years and was a member of the Church of the Living God in Waveland.

He was preceded in death by his father, James Hawkins Jr.

Survivors include a daughter, Shantel Hawkins of Gulfport and a stepdaughter, Paula Dedeaux of Pass Christian; a stepson, Chris Dedeaux of Waveland; his mother, Rachel Hawkins of Waveland; five brothers, Gary Hawkins, Leroy Hawkins, Lionel Hawkins and Leo Hawkins, all of Waveland and Charles Hawkins of Westpoint, Miss.; six sisters, Carol Bolling, Norita Henry, Cleo Willis, Terri Johnson, all of Waveland, and Carnel Cooper of Gilbert, Ariz., and Zenobia Wright of New Orleans; an uncle, Charlie Hawkins of Waveland; an aunt, Violet Robinson of Metairie, La., and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be at Little Zion Baptist Church in Waveland Saturday, Oct. 24, 10-11 a.m. followed by services and burial in Waveland Cemetery.

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JESSIE C. KANE

Jessie Cuevas Kane, 94, of Diamondhead, died Saturday, Oct. 17, 1998, in Diamondhead.

Mrs. Kane was a native and lifelong resident of Fenton. She attended Mississippi Southern University, Tulane University and Peabody College. She taught school for a number of years and was a Catholic.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John Edwin Kane.

Survivors include a son, Edvin Cuevas Kane; a daughter, Carole Kane Wilson, both of Little Rock, and a sister, Vera Redden of Gulfport.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday in Riemann Funeral Home chapel followed by burial in Evergreen Cemetery in Gulfport.

ANDREW LANCLOS JR.

Andrew Lanclos Jr., 45, of Bay St. Louis, died Wednesday, Oct. 21, 1998, in Bay St. Louis.

Arrangements are incomplete at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

WILMER LEWIS III

Wilmer Lewis III, 28, of Houston, Texas, died Sunday, Oct. 18, 1998 in Kiln.

Survivors include his wife, Gloria Lewis of Houston; two daughters, Kyla J. Lewis and Schequa A. Lewis, both of Houston; two brothers, Roy Lewis and Samuel Lewis, both of Houston; two brother, Roy Lewis and Samuel Lewis, both of Houston; a sister, Zinara Lewis of Houston and two stepbrothers, Wayne Lewis and Maurice Payne, both of Kiln.

Visitation will be today, 6-9 p.m. in Brentwood Funeral Home in Houston. Services will be conducted Friday, Oct. 23 at 11 a.m. in New Light Christian Center. Burial will be in Houston Memorial Garden.

Brentwood Funeral Home in Houston is in charge of arrangements.

WINNIE J. NECAISE

Winnie J. Ladner Necaise, 88, of Pass Christian, died Tuesday, Oct. 20, 1998 in Gulfport.

Mrs. Necaise was a native of Harrison County and a homemaker. She was a member of St. Matthew Catholic Church, Necaise Crossing.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Harvey A. Necaise.

Survivors include three daughters, Jane "Jean" Ladner of Pass Christian; Borgia Winston of Gulfport, Shirley Fayard of Long Beach; two sons, Wilton Necaise and Frankie Necaise, both of Pass Christian; 22 grandchildren, 34 great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren.

Visitation was Wednesday at the Necaise home. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated today at 2 p.m. in St. Matthew Catholic Church, Hwy. 603, in Necaise Crossing. Burial will be in Necaise Crossing Cemetery under the direction of McDonald Funeral Home in Picayune.

He was preceded in death by his father, James Hawkins Jr.

Survivors include a daughter, Shantel Hawkins of Gulfport and a stepdaughter, Paula Dedeaux of Pass Christian; a stepson, Chris Dedeaux of Waveland; his mother, Rachel Hawkins of Waveland; five brothers, Gary Hawkins, Leroy Hawkins, Lionel Hawkins and Leo Hawkins, all of Waveland and Charles Hawkins of Westpoint, Miss.; six sisters, Carol Bolling, Norita Henry, Cleo Willis, Terri Johnson, all of Waveland, and Carnel Cooper of Gilbert, Ariz., and Zenobia Wright of New Orleans; an uncle, Charlie Hawkins of Waveland; an aunt, Violet Robinson of Metairie, La., and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be at Little Zion Baptist Church in Waveland Saturday, Oct. 24, 10-11 a.m. followed by services and burial in Waveland Cemetery.

Card of Thanks

To family, relatives and friends, we thank you all from the bottoms of our hearts.

The Paul Williams Family

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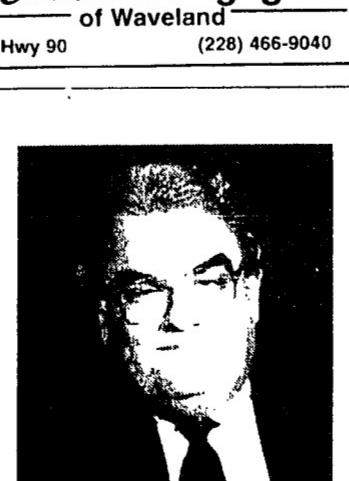
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HENRY F. RAPPOLD

Henry F. Rappold, 87, of Waveland, died Friday, Oct. 16, 1998, in Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Rappold was a native of New Orleans and had been a resident of Waveland for 20 years. He retired in 1973 as a roofing estimator with Olympia Roofing Company of New Orleans.

He was a member of St. Clare Catholic Church and was active in the Carnival Circuit in New Orleans and Waveland. He was a member of AARP and was a lifetime member of the Royal Order of Goofs in New Orleans.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Elmira Zimmerman Rappold; his parents, William Stephen and Georgiana Collins Rappold; a brother, Louis Rappold; and two sisters, Rose Rappold Riener and Margerite Rappold Hampton.

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ABSENTEE VOTING FOR GENERAL ELECTION

The office of the Circuit Clerk of Hancock County will be open for absentee voting from 8:00 a.m. until noon on Saturday, October 24, 1998.

The deadline for voting absentee in the office of the Circuit Clerk will be on Saturday, October 31, 1998 at 12:00 noon.

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Political forum slated for city election

Special to the Echo

Voters will have an opportunity to meet and question candidates for city offices at a two-hour political forum beginning at 7 p.m. Monday at American Legion Post 77 on Coleman Avenue.

The Hancock County Journalists' Association will conduct the forum. The Legion post is co-sponsoring the event.

The forum will be broadcast live on WBSL Radio.

Candidates in the Nov. 3 primary election have been invited to bring with them materials setting forth their qualifications, background and campaign platforms. But the

forum will focus on questions and answers from the association and individual voters.

"We believe it is important for voters to have a chance to hear candidates talk about the issues that concern Waveland residents," said Nan Ehrbright, association president. "Having well-informed voters is a vital part of good government."

All three mayoral candidates will be asked the same three questions; all board candidates will be asked the same two questions.

Mayoral candidates will have two minutes to respond to each question, plus one minute to react to opponents'

responses. Candidates for aldermen will have one minute to answer each question.

The questions were prepared by the association, which is made up of media professionals who work or live in Hancock County and includes representatives of The Sea Coast Echo, The Sun Herald, WLOX-TV, The Hancock Reporter and WBSL Radio.

The association submitted the questions to the candidates earlier this month.

"It does no service to voters to ask hard questions of candidates without giving them time to ponder and research their answers," Ehrbright said. "Informed candidates are

just as important as informed voters."

The forum will end with questions from the audience, which attendees may write out and turn in before the forum begins. The candidates will field as many of them as time allows.

The association also has invited Fifth District Congressional candidates and candidates for contested races for circuit and chancery court judges to attend the forum.

Rickena Hawkins gets start on 'Beautiful Beginnings'

By Reni Winter

Rickena Hawkins, 7, was playing in the sea of balls at Chuck E. Cheese in Atlanta when her mother, Sheree Hawkins, became concerned because a woman seemed to be following the little girl.

"I noticed a lady following her, and I was wondering why she was following Rickena around," Sheree Hawkins said. "She said she was on her way to find us to see who her mother was and see if they could take her picture."

She was from Dark N' Lovely (hair care products) and gave me some dates and a studio location. They were looking for little girls to model for their box cover."

The long and short of the story is, Rickena is pictured on the box of a new Dark N' Lovely product, Beautiful Beginnings No Mistake, a hair relaxer.

Rickena was born in Slidell. Her mother grew up in the Picayune area and graduated from Picayune Memorial High School in 1991. Her grandmother, Ann Bolton, and great-grandmother, Doris Quinn, still

live in Picayune.

Rickena's great-grandfather, J.W. Roberts, also lives in Picayune. Her father, Rickey Hawkins, grew up in Waveland, where his parents, Charles and Mary Hawkins, still live.

Rickena also won a four-year scholarship to Clark Atlanta University when she was a student at Head Start.

She has a younger brother, Rickey, 5, and a little sister, Rickah, 3. Her father works construction in the Atlanta area and in Boston, Mass.

Her mother is trained as a certified medical assistant, although she is currently a stay-at-home mom. Mrs. Hawkins said she plans to start school to study to be a licensed midwife.

Rickena loves swimming, is a cheerleader for a little community cheerleading team called "The Saints," and loves rollerblading. Her mother said she hesitates sending the pictures to the talent agency because she has read so many stories about actors and actresses who had difficult childhoods because of their stardom.

"I want her to keep a normal

childhood, but give her the opportunity to model and see where it goes," she said. "I don't want to rush into it because I want her to have her childhood. Everybody's calling me crazy because I haven't sent in the pictures yet."

Mrs. Hawkins and her husband, who chose the names for their three children, is very proud of all of them. She said he couldn't believe it at first when they found out Rickena had been chosen for the box cover.

"Then when the box actually got here, he couldn't believe it," she said. "They gave us three boxes and some coupons — she's also on the coupons — and some copies of the photos they took and \$5,000."

The couple moved from Mississippi to Boston in 1991 and then to Atlanta in 1993, Mrs. Hawkins said.

She said their three-year-old is probably the most vocal about the excitement surrounding Rickena's new-found celebrity. "She goes around saying 'Rickena's on the box, Rickena's on the box,'" she said.



Fly-in at Stennis

Sam Steele pauses beside the RV-4 experimental airplane he flew to Stennis International Airport Sunday for the annual Oktober Fest Fly-in and "pig roast" hosted by Eugene Phillips of Phillips Aviation, aircraft maintenance and fuel supplier. Steele's homebuilt craft, based in New Orleans, was one of dozens flown in for an event attended by over 200 pilots and other aviation buffs, some from as far away as Hyannis, Mass. Phillips and his helpers, including the local chapter of the Experimental Aircraft Association, served nearly 350 pounds of barbecued ribs, chicken and side dishes for the event.

World championship power boat races scheduled for Oct. 25-31 in Biloxi

Just one month after Hurricane Georges hit the Coast, the hurricane's high winds and gulf spray will be replaced by the high velocity of some of the world's most elaborate boats seeking to set new records at the American Power Boat Association's 1998 World Championship Gulf Coast Run, held for the second time on the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

"Since racers participate all season long with an eye toward the championship on the Mississippi Gulf Coast, we are thrilled that the minimal damages resulting from the hurricane are so rapidly being repaired and that the Coast's spectacular powerboat event will go off on schedule," said Stephen Richer, executive director.

The APBA's Gulf Coast Run includes a full week of activities scheduled for Oct. 25-31. At 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 28, and Saturday, Oct. 31, more than 100 teams in 10 classes will compete on a 10-mile ocean course for a purse of more than \$100,000.

Race officials expect world race records to be broken this

year with speeds exceeding 140 mph in the Open Class.

"The exciting lineup of week-long power boat activities combined with the traditional elements that make the Mississippi Gulf Coast a resort destination — cultural and historic attractions, golf for any level of golfer, championship fishing, unique shopping, exciting casinos, exceptional dining, and Southern hospitality —

truly make a visit during the Gulf Coast Run one with something for every age and every interest to enjoy," Richer said.

In addition to thrilling offshore racing, activities include "wet" and "dry" pits where power boats are on display, a blessing of the power boat fleet, bands, casino activities, nightly parties and opportunities to meet racers.

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Editorial

Highway 90-Dunbar crossing a nightmare for Bay motorists

Just how many people will have to be injured at the Bay St. Louis intersection of Highway 90 and Dunbar before the Mississippi Department of Transportation takes action?

This question is not only being asked by the citizens from the city, but by the Mayor, City Council, Police Chief and Police Officers who investigate the many accidents at this intersection.

One just wonders what is going to happen if one of the school buses going to North Bay Elementary loaded with the youngsters of our community is slammed into by a vehicle at this very dangerous intersection.

It is told that the Department of Transportation uses formulas to design its signals at intersections depending upon the amount of traffic crossing in the various directions.

We feel what also must be taken into account are the design of the roadway and hidden views from motorists along with peak hours of traffic.

Case in point, if a motorist is traveling west on 90 at Dunbar and wants to make a left turn while a motorist traveling east is also making a left turn and waiting for traffic, the west motorist cannot see the oncoming traffic from the east lane.

The Bay St. Louis Mayor, Council and Police Department have all requested assistance from the Department of Transportation at the Dunbar and Highway 90 intersection, and apparently the request is still being "studied."

In Bay St. Louis there are two major shopping centers, and one so happens to be located at the Dunbar and Highway 90 intersection.

Many motorists of the community are fearful of passing through the dangerous intersection. At times fear causes carelessness on the part of drivers.

True, driver error has caused some of the accidents, but every obstacle necessary should be removed, too.

The intersection of Highway 90 at Drinkwater at the entrance to Hancock Medical Center is still a big concern for the community, especially with the recent expansion of Hancock Medical Center. The Highway 90 and Main Street and Washington and Highway 90 intersections also concern officials.



"CUEVAS' QUOTES"

By Ellis C. Cuevas

Many of our residents have been busy cleaning up Hurricane Georges' piled-up logs, branches and other litter in front of their properties.

The street I reside on is very narrow with deep ditches on both sides, which had recently been dug by the City of Bay St. Louis.

I want to really compliment the contractors for the very good job they are doing in retrieving the litter.

I thought for sure the ditches would have been all messed up and a big mess made when the debris was removed, because much of it was in the ditches.

Compliments go to the contractor, because the ditches were undisturbed.

All that was left of the litter were a few leaves and a very few pine cones and very small twigs. These were easily collected with a leaf rake.

Congratulations to the contractor in Bay St. Louis for a job well done on narrow Genin Street during the cleanup.

Guess whose photo graces the cover page of the Independent Insurance Agents of Mississippi quarterly magazine? None other than that of David Treutel Jr. of Treutel Insurance Agency of Bay St. Louis.

Dave Jr., our neighbor from a few doors down the street, is president of the state association.

I know that Dave has been very active in the association in recent years and feel it is a great honor for our county to have him as president of such a large association. Congratulations go out to Treutel.

Saturday marks the 6th annual St. Ann-St. John Parish Seafood Jamboree.

The seafood jamboree is from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. at St. Ann's pavilion and church grounds, Lower Bay Road, Clermont Harbor.

There will be gumbo, seafood platters, hamburgers and hot dogs, snowballs, popcorn and much more.

Seafood plates are for a donation of \$5 from 11 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Takeouts will also be available.

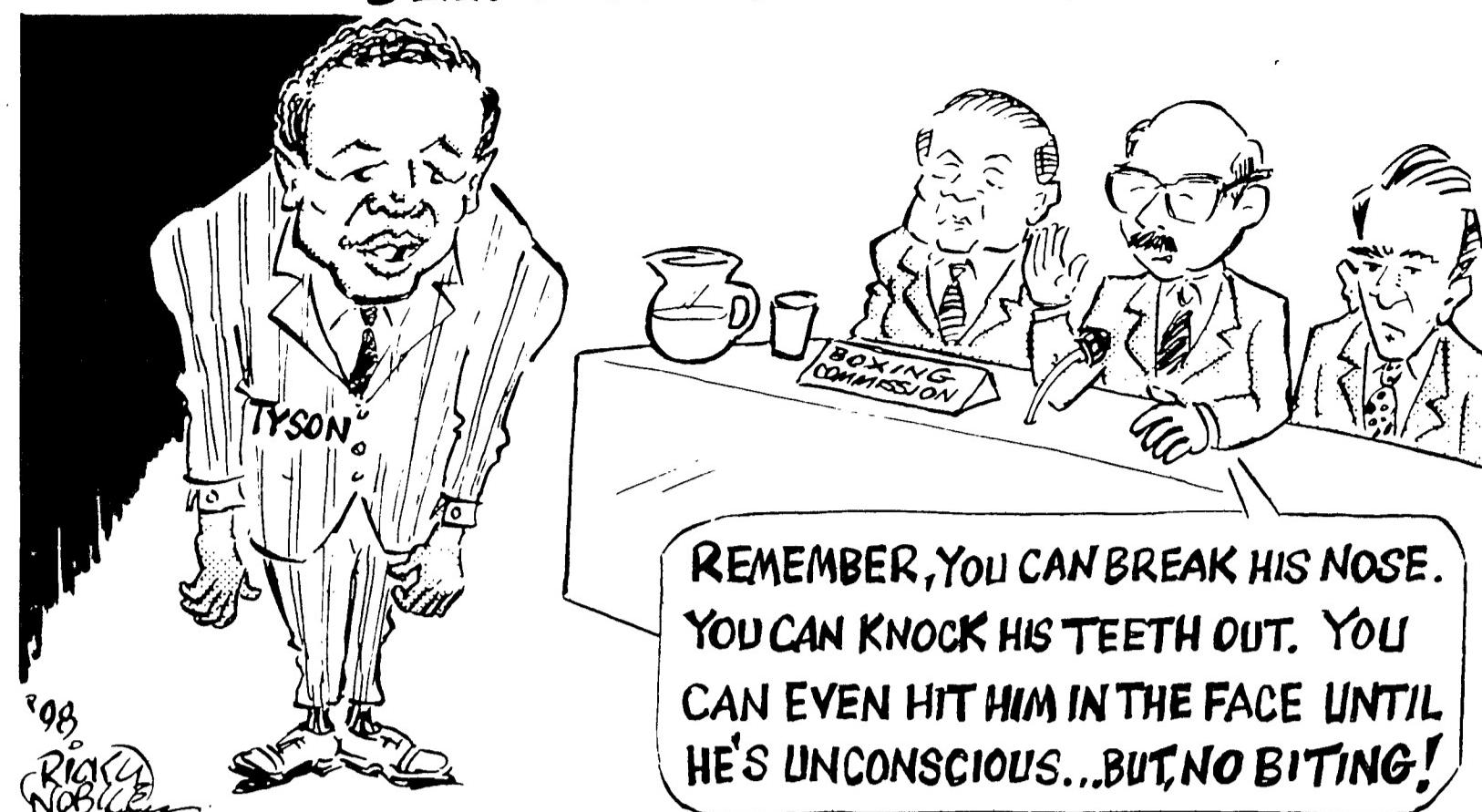
Live entertainment will feature *Country Crossroads* 1-5 p.m.; *Kory Lawrence*, 6-9 p.m. and *Elvis* 9-10 p.m.

There will be a large white elephant booth and a beauty pageant at 2 p.m.

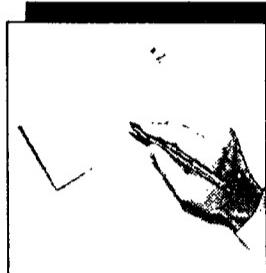
Games, a hay ride and much more will be at St. Ann-St. John's annual event, which had to be delayed until this Saturday because Hurricane Georges.

We hope to see you at the *Seafood Festival* on Saturday.

CLEANING UP THE "SPORT"



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



It is time to take a stand with our own politicians

Dear Editor,

As a resident and voter in Hancock County, I for one was shocked to read the article in the Sea Coast Echo about how the Board of Supervisors treat our law enforcement.

I now understand how the supervisors can say "no raises." They already make enough as a part-time employee. How they make more than a full-time law enforcement officer is beyond me.

For me to see the population and traffic build up, and for the amount of people moved into Hancock County, and for someone to believe law enforcement is not a priority is outrageous. To see our children waiting for a

bus, and vehicles going in excess to 70 mph on our streets is a major problem.

It's time we stop thinking about the political problem with our President and start taking a stand with our own politicians.

They say we don't want this or that concerning tax increase, because they will lose our vote.

Well, I do not recall getting asked my opinion on this or that.

It is time citizens take a stand. Send your letters and voice your opinion before it is too late.

Thank you,
Laura L. Wemple
Bay St. Louis

Kiln resident praises supervisors, county employees following Georges

Dear Editor:

As a sincere expression of gratitude, I address this letter as a commendation on behalf of the Hancock County Board of Supervisors for their devotion to leadership as a result of the damages sustained by recent Hurricane Georges.

I also wish to commend Road Superintendent Tommy Moran, Assistant Road Superintendent Roger Ladner, along with their crew, namely Hurley Ladner, foreman, Joe Bilbo, Ross Ladner, Frankie Dougherty, R. V. Stiglet and Ronald Jones.

It was very gratifying that in the aftermath of such a destructive hurricane that they an-

swered the call for assistance in such a professional, courteous and proficient manner.

The personal concern and understanding of the emotional stress and physical inconvenience exhibited on their part and the quick response to the cleanup at hand certainly is to be commended.

It speaks well for our leadership in Hancock County when such teamwork can accomplish such challenges in restoring normality to our community and county.

Sincerely,
J. Larry Ladner
Kiln

Toll-free number offered to help keep state litter-free

Dear Editor,

I want to share a way that every Mississippian can help make Mississippi Litter-Free by 2003. First, they cannot litter and second, they can influence their family and friends not to litter.

Also, if a driver in Mississippi observes someone littering from a vehicle, they can dial *47 on their cell phone and report this to the Mississippi Department of Highway Safety. *47 is answered by the Mississippi Department of Highway Safety dispatch operator. The person reporting gives the license tag number, a brief description of the vehicle, the location and date and time.

The Commissioner of Public Safety then sends a non-

threatening letter to the person who owns the car from where the litter came and an auto litter bag. The *47 cellular phone call is free.

If for any reason you cannot get through to the dispatcher or do not have a cellular phone, then please call Keep Mississippi Beautiful/People Against Litter at 1-800-545-3764 and we will contact the commissioner.

Please help us in this very important endeavor. Our mission is to Keep Mississippi Beautiful and Litter-Free by 2003. Please don't litter!

Respectfully,
Barbara Dorr
Executive Director
Keep Mississippi Beautiful/
People Against Litter

Letters Welcome

The Sea Coast Echo welcomes comments from its readers on subjects of general interest. Letters must be signed and include address or phone number so that the sender can be contacted by the newspaper if necessary. Letters should be brief, preferably typewritten and double spaced, and conform to standards of good taste. Only one letter per writer per month will be published. The editor reserves the right to edit or reject letters.

Letters of thanks, expressions of appreciation and political endorsements are considered inappropriate for the *Letters to the Editor* columns.

—Ellis C. Cuevas, publisher

From the ECHO ARCHIVES

By Ellis C. Cuevas

Ten Years Ago

SEPTEMBER 4, 1988

—A crew from Bay-Waveland Yacht Club claimed the U.S. Men's Sailing Championship Friday in the 36th run for the Mallory Cup in Charleston, South Carolina. Representing BYWC and the Gulf Yachting Association, skipper Dennis Steffel and crew, Peter Merrifield and Bobby Eagan took the Mallory by exactly 10 points ahead of the nearest contenders, skippered by Jasper Craig from the race's New England district.

Powell G. Ogletree, District 684 Rotary International Governor will visit the Bay St. Louis Rotary Club on Wednesday. It will be the governor's annual visit to the local Rotary Club.

Twenty-Five Years Ago

SEPTEMBER 6, 1973

—"Here it Comes!" someone cried, and everyone turned toward the bay to watch the distant cloud of black smoke spiraling from the train approaching on the bay railroad bridge. No longer does a crowd of residents and barefooted children gather in small towns to watch the train go through. The sight of a diesel-driven freight train rumbling through town doesn't even cause a second glance these days.

But the train that came through Bay St. Louis twice last Sunday was no ordinary train. And it drew a crowd of onlookers that had gathered and dispersed repeatedly throughout the gloomy, rain-swept afternoon in anticipation of a brief return to the nostalgia of bygone days. This was a special train which had traveled all the way from Washington, D.C., pulled by double headed steam engines, long obsolete in today's modern, ecology-minded society.

Most of the children milling around the beach road railroad tracks, ranging in age from babies in arms to teenagers, had never seen a steam locomotive, majestically belching great billows of black smoke and raining sparks of hot cinders indiscriminately on the swelling crowd.

Fifty Years Ago

SEPTEMBER 3, 1948

—Sunday afternoon at 2:30 p.m. at the mouth of the Jourdan River, lovers of boats from skiffs to luxury runabouts will have the opportunity of seeing twenty-five boats vying against each other in speed races. One of the afternoon's features will be the teen-age obstacle race between eight young people.

This race will be run in three heats; the first from a running start, the second from an anchored position, and the third from a swimming start. Entries are Ben Hille Jr., Lucien Gex Jr., Hartwell Gex, Sonny Wolfe, Andre Arceneaux, Kay McDougal, Penny Cole and June Breath.

—Mr. Sterling B. Sharp Sr., has retired from active duty, as bridge foreman for the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company effective September 1st. Mr. Sharp was an employee for the L&N for 48 years, beginning in 1900 as a bridgetman, in which capacity he worked for five years, and for the past 43 years he has been a bridge foreman. He has been a resident of Bay St. Louis for the past 31 years.

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Doll and Toy Fund kickoff

The Fire Department pick-up fills with toys during 1997's Harley Owners Group Rally to benefit kids in Hancock County for Christmas. Registration for the annual gift giving begins Nov. 2.

Doll and Toy Fund kicks off registration

The Hancock County Doll and Toy Fund kicks off its family registration Nov. 2. Registration will be accepted through Nov. 25. The Doll and Toy Fund is the oldest holiday assistance program in Hancock County.

It was founded by the Bay St. Louis Fire Department over 25 years ago. The department has continuously managed the program. Mission is to see that no child is without joy on Christmas, and the management of the funds resulted in recognition as a United Way of South Mississippi agency.

Qualifications for assistance are simple, but mandatory. The

child must be between ages 1 month to 12 years and must be a resident of Hancock County. The parent, or guardian must present an acceptable Mississippi photo identification with the birth certificate or social security card for each child registered to the Fire Department.

Registrations are accepted during Fire Department business hours, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. at the central station, 310 Old Spanish Trail.

Because of the numbers of registrations received, no telephone calls will be accepted. All inquiries must be made in person.

"Bay St. Louis, Waveland,

Hancock County and the Stennis Space Center have always been generous helping the Fire Department reach all children through Hancock County in need.

"We ask again for their continued help with donations of cash or new toys. We appreciate all of the help we receive and in turn try to meet the special needs of many during this time of giving," said Chief Robert Gavagnie.

Donations may be made to the Hancock County Doll and Toy Fund, P.O. Box 2550, Bay St. Louis, MS 39521-2550 or by stopping by the Fire Department, 310 Old Spanish Trail.



Total loss

Rhonda Fontenot sifts through what was left of her family's trailer and belongings after a fire Saturday destroyed their home. Hancock Bank has established an account to aid the family, and donations can be made at any branch. (Echo staff photo by Ed Lepoma)

Firefighter loses everything

BY ED LEPOMA

Rhonda Fontenot is married to a volunteer firefighter, and she frequently monitors calls about someone reporting a fire.

But, this time, it was her trailer that was on fire. Fontenot said she was driving up Hwy. 603, about 6:30 p.m. last Saturday just south of Interstate 10 when someone beeped her, and she learned her house trailer was in flames.

It was a three-alarm fire. Volunteer firefighters from Kiln, Fenton and Leetown rushed to the scene off Fire Tower Road, and although they managed to put out the flames, the trailer and its contents were a total loss.

Rhonda's husband, Pat Fontenot is a full-time state transportation department employee and also serves as assistant fire chief for the Kiln Volunteer Fire Department.

The Echo visited the couple Monday, and they both said they were just thankful that their lives and the lives of their three children were spared.

Fontenot said the trailer, anchored near ex-sister-in-law Cathy Holden's house, had been heavily damaged by Georges.

"The roof came off, and it took on a lot of water," said Fontenot. He said he let the trailer dry out and covered the roof with a tarp before the family decided to move back into it the Wednesday after the hurricane.

Fontenot said he checked for any smell of burning wire after he turned on the main electrical switch to the trailer. "But, there wasn't any. The lights didn't flicker. It all seemed okay," he said.

Hancock County Fire Marshal Richard Pate is still investigating, but he expects it was an electrical spark that ignited the trailer.

Fontenot said the Saturday

morning before the fire the trailer was visited by an agent from the Small Business Administration. "He wrote it off as a total loss," said Fontenot, which means the family is eligible for a low-interest loan. Fontenot said he intended to use the money to repair the trailer, and had planned to add another bedroom.

The Fontenots, their teenaged daughter, and boys ages 10 and 4, are staying temporarily with their sister-in-law.

A fund has been set up at Hancock Bank to aid the family. Donations should be made to the Fontenot Benefit Fund at any branch of Hancock Bank.

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Arboretum schedules workshop

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Horticulturist and Arboretum Curator Bob Brzuszek will discuss common garden problems and offer some earth-friendly solutions. What kinds of fertilizers should you use? How much? How do you identify and control insect pests?

Bring questions and get some answers from an expert. By reservation, \$10 arboretum members, \$15 non-members.

The Crosby Arboretum, Mississippi State University is in Picayune. Take I-59 to Exit 4 and follow the signs, or from the Gulf Coast, take I-10 to Exit 20 and proceed north on Hwy. 43 to Picayune.

For reservations or for information, call (601) 799-2311, ext. 21.

Vote tabulator demonstration

There will be a public demonstration on the vote counting equipment to be used in the Nov. 3 election.

The demonstration will be held in the office of the City Secretary in Waveland at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 31.

Family reunion scheduled

The Necaise family reunion will be Sunday, Oct. 25 at McLeod Park.

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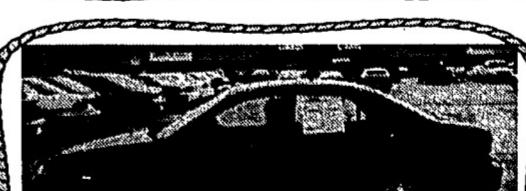
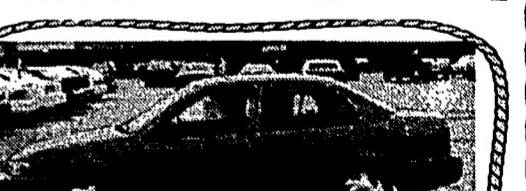
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Bay council lock horns with contractor

BY MARY G. SEILEY

Bay St. Louis city officials have locked horns with the contractor who's constructing much of the city's massive drainage improvement program.

City Council has met in executive session at least twice to discuss differences it has with Colom Construction Co. — meeting behind closed doors because the possibility of litigation looms.

At issue is the condition of some of the massive drainage canals that Colom has built so far. In the wake of massive rainfalls last month, some of the canals have experienced "blowouts" from water pressure in the soil. Others have caved in at spots along their rims.

Who's to pick up the tab for repairing the damages is at issue. Officials say the contractor contends the canals were built to city specifications and, since the

city has paid for the work, it's now the city's problem.

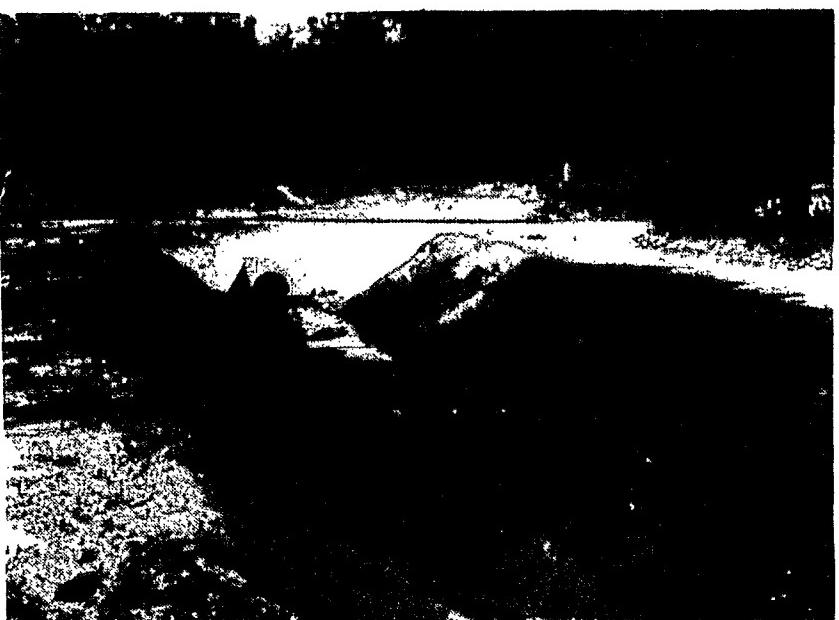
Not so, say city officials. The work isn't accepted until the project is complete. Officials estimate the repair work at \$150,000 to \$200,000.

To help resolve the issues, the city has agreed to pay some \$7,900 to soil experts for tests, officials said.

Colom actually is working under two contracts. The first leg of the project is costing some \$1.5 million, and the second is priced at over \$2.7 million.

The original contract for the first segment of work was under \$1.1 million, but a series of change orders has resulted in the higher cost. Part of the change orders were to address unexpected soil conditions and protect drainage canal slopes from erosion.

The contract for work on the third phase of the project is expected to be awarded next month.



Drainage woes

Problems with the Bay St. Louis drainage project continue. This is one of the major drainage ditches off Central Ave., that the city council has locked horns over with the project contractor (Echo staff photo by Ellis C. Cuevas)

Former pastor is honored

The City of Picayune and the Optimist Club invite the public to the dedication of John Prentiss Johnson, former pastor of Valena C. Jones United Methodist Church, Bay St. Louis, in Memorial Park at 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, on Rosa and Jones streets in Picayune.

Two arrested in drive-by shooting

BY B. R. HAWKINS

Bay St. Louis Police have arrested two men in connection with a drive-by shooting in the 600 block of Byer Street Saturday, Oct. 16.

Officer Tom Burleson said Jaiye Daniels, 22, of 406 Sycamore Street, was arrested at 3:41 p.m. Saturday and charged with aggravated assault. Daniels was on parole at the time of his arrest and is being held without bond.

Burleson also said Kendall Daniels, 24, also of 406 Sycamore Street, was arrested at 1:09 p.m. Saturday and charged with drive-by shooting. Bond was set at \$10,000. Daniels posted bond Saturday evening.

Burleson said the incident began as a fight which resulted in Kendall Daniels leaving and then returning to the Byer Street address with a weapon. No one was injured. Burleson said the incident was not drug related and is still under investigation. A tentative court date is set for both men on November 4.

During a search, a K-9 dog is trained to alert on anything which a suspect may throw away during a pursuit, Corr said.

The case is being investigated by task force officers Jeff Hair, Mike Hearty and Laura Lachin. Hearty and Lachin are Waveland's new members of the multi-drug task force.

Crack cookies

These three crack cocaine cookies are shown with a 12 inch ruler, with an estimated wholesale value of \$800-1,000 were confiscated during a speeding stop in Waveland on Saturday. Hancock Multi-Drug Task Force director Shane Corr, said the street value of the crack cocaine would be about \$2,000. (Echo staff photo by Ellis C. Cuevas)

Speeding stop yields three crack cookies

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS

A Waveland resident was charged with possession and intent to deliver three cookies of crack cocaine. Multi-drug task force director Shane Corr said.

Waveland Patrolman Dale Descamp made a routine speeding stop on St. Joseph and Jeff Davis Saturday; he asked the driver and passenger to step out of the vehicle, Corr said.

When Descamp proceeded to do a pat down search, the passenger, Dick Terry Lewis, 21, 610 Herlihy, Waveland, fled into the woods, Corr said.

"Waveland K-9 Officer Sgt. C.J. Lick was called and in with

Arno making 12 steps into the woods, Arno alerted on the cocaine cookies. Lewis evaded the search and on Monday turned himself in at the Hancock County sheriff's office. He was released on \$50,000 bond," Corr said.

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OBITUARIES

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Survivors include a daughter, Barbara A. Rappold of Waveland.

Visitation was Monday at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis, followed by celebration of mass at St. Clare Catholic Church. A graveside service followed in Greenwood Cemetery in New Orleans.

The family prefers memorials to St. Clare Catholic Church Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 500, Waveland, MS 39576.

ELLIS F. VAUGHAN

Ellis Floyd Vaughan, 90, of Diamondhead, died Monday, Oct. 19, 1998, in Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Vaughan was a native of Jeanerette. He was a veteran and retired as Lt. Col. from the Army. He was a member of Christ Church Episcopal in Memphis, where he was on the vestry. He was also a member of the Sons of the American Revolution, Retired Officers Association, the Scottish Rites and was a 32nd Degree Mason.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Sarah Elizabeth Battle Vaughan; and his parents, Albert Floyd and Hazel Adair Akers Vaughan.

Survivors include a son, William Battle Vaughan of Miami; a daughter, Dorothy V. Hope of Diamondhead; and a brother, Robert Vaughan of San Antonio.

A memorial service will be conducted at 2 p.m. Friday at Christ Church Episcopal, with burial in Elmwood Cemetery in Memphis.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of arrangements.



American Cookout Distinguished Cookout award

Dr. A.K. Martinolich, right, presents the Hancock County Republican 1998 Cookout of the Year award to Robert Kane. The presentation was made Saturday at the annual Hancock County Republican Cookout held at the residence of Dr. and Mrs. A.K. Martinolich. Keynote speaker was United States Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott. (Echo staff photo by Ellis C. Cuevas)

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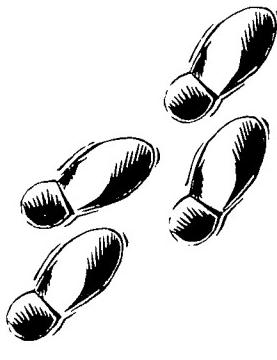
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Stennis overview

While visiting Stennis Space Center, NASA Administrator Daniel Goldin received an overview of Stennis Space Center projects, including tours and briefings on lead center activities in propulsion test and commercial remote sensing. Goldin toured the propulsion test complex where the Space Shuttle Main Engines are tested and powerpack tests for the aerospace engine are being conducted for the new reusable Launch Vehicle Program prototype vehicle, the X-33, a half-scale version of the Venture Star. Pictured, from left, are NASA's Mike Mims, A-1 test stand director; NASA's Rick Gilbrech, chief of the engineering division, propulsion test directorate at Stennis; Goldin; Dave Geiger, Boeing/Rocketdyne Propulsion and Power's resident manager and test director, and Stennis Space Center Deputy Director Mark Craig.

NASA Administrator Goldin visits Stennis

NASA Administrator Dan Goldin visited Stennis Space Center Tuesday to share his vision with center employees on future activities of the agency.

During an all hands meeting in the Visitors Center auditorium, Goldin took time to thank employees for their hard work and dedication and emphasized the growing responsibility the South Mississippi facility is playing in America's space program.

Goldin told the group, "NASA has had a great 40 years, but we're just getting started. We at NASA believe that there will forever be something to invent,

something to discover and somewhere to go."

Concerning the future of the Space Shuttle program, NASA's administrator called it the workhorse of the space program, one of which NASA and contractor personnel as well as the American people should be proud because of the scientific discoveries made during its missions.

"The shuttle will carry us while the work on the development of advanced launch systems, and no one knows it better than you folks at NASA Stennis because you have tested them all," Goldin said.

Goldin empowered each employee to put safety and quality first. "Remember," said Goldin, "safety is number one with NASA."

During his address, Administrator Goldin also expressed his extreme satisfaction that more and more rocket propulsion and remote sensing companies were choosing to utilize the state-of-the-art facilities and expertise found at Stennis Space Center.

"NASA Stennis is leading the agency in generating commercial opportunities," remarked Goldin.

Small business group warns that Y2K problem must be addressed

The SBA announced Y2K Awareness Week Oct. 19-23. During this week, the SBA and SCORE (the Service Corps of Retired Executives Association), is trying to make the small business community aware of the gravity of the Y2K problem.

Ray Irby, chair, SCORE Gulf Coast Chapter 130, is urging all small business owners and managers to read the following information prepared by Aida Alvarez, administrator, SBA, to learn more about the Y2K problem and how it will affect their businesses.

At midnight Dec. 31, 1999, most people will be having the biggest New Year's party ever. Except for those business owners who have not yet fixed the "Y2K problem" for their companies. Their computers may read the year "2000" as "1900" or even some other date — and their companies may be in crisis.

In order to save memory space in older computers, programmers used only two digits to represent a year — 98 for 1998, for example — and these systems cannot differentiate between centuries.

Not every small company is vulnerable. That's because most major computer manufacturers and software developers are now addressing the problem of Y2K code in their products.

Small firms who have recently purchased Y2K certified compliant hardware and software and whose computers are not linked in a network, may escape the so-called Millennium Bug.

But other small business owners are not so fortunate. Companies with older computer systems, or those with manufacturing, inventory and accounting systems where data dated after Jan. 1, 2000, have already been entered, are at risk and must take action to fix the problem.

For them, it is imperative to start now to fix, test and validate their equipment because experts advise that they should allot at least a year just for the testing phase.

To obtain industry guidance

in addressing the Y2K problem, the SBA conducted two focus groups with broad industry participation. Their suggestions were:

- 1. Self-assessment. Figure out if you have a Y2K problem. No small business owner should assume that he or she is home free on this issue. How do you know if you have a problem?

There are check lists available that allow you to self-assess your system, to help determine the extent of your vulnerability and if you need to seek help. The SBA Home Page will link you to those lists.

• 2. Take action now. Fixing most Y2K problems is not particularly complicated. But it can be labor intensive and time consuming.

The clock is ticking, and we are all facing a deadline that truly cannot be moved. Some businesses may need to have compliant systems in place for a considerable period of time, such as a fiscal year, to ensure that errors have been identified and removed. Y2K needs to be at the top, not the bottom, of your "To Do" list.

• 3. Be informed. Study the problem. Make realistic assessments based on what is central to your company's operations. Don't be stampeded into paying for remedies that you don't need.

Alternatively, you may find it more cost-effective to purchase entirely new equipment than to repair what you have. Logging on to various Internet Y2K sites is an excellent way to stay current.

If you aren't connected to the Internet, and many small business owners are not, take a few minutes. Sign up with an Internet Service Provider and get online.

Remember that Y2K is not just a computer problem. Ask yourself what special equipment or services you depend on that have computerized components with time (clock) dependencies.

If you contract with a Y2K specialist to help you evaluate your computer systems and software, be sure to require an independent validation and

Chamber's Red Ribbon Christmas Celebration scheduled

Hancock County's 1998 Red Ribbon Christmas Celebration, sponsored by the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce, will include a number of holiday events throughout the month of December.

The 1998 Red Ribbon Christmas Parade will kick things off Tuesday, Dec. 1 at 6 p.m. The parade will begin at the foot of the Bay St. Louis Bridge and end at the Hancock Medical Center Walking Track.

Santa will be on hand at the walking track to participate in holiday festivities. Any group wishing to participate in the parade should call the Chamber office.

The Chamber will again sponsor its popular Red Ribbon Christmas Flyer. Chamber members, as well as churches and non-profit organizations, should send all holiday events in writing to the Chamber by Nov. 10 to be included in the flyer. The flyer will be distributed to participating Chamber members upon request.

Merchants wishing to participate in the Chamber's Red Ribbon Christmas decorating contest must register at the Chamber office by Nov. 25. Winners will be announced at the Chamber's annual Christmas banquet Friday, Dec. 11.

Call the Chamber at 467-9048 to participate in this year's Red Ribbon Christmas Celebration or fax your holiday event at 467-1573 to be included in the Red Ribbon Christmas Flyer.

Wood named to sales force

Con-Tech Power Systems Inc. has named Michael Wood national sales account executive to its force of Professional Sales & Marketing Team.

Wood brings 14 years of marketing experience to Con-Tech. Previously he was associated with ETD, Atlanta. He will be active in the promotion, sales and marketing of Con-Tech products and services.

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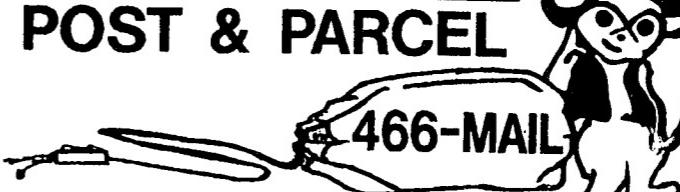
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Bay St. Louis Patrolman O'Neal Ladner fingerprints Keiondra Lewis for identification at Bay St. Louis' Public Safety Day II at the Bay Depot last Saturday. A special presentation by Bay Police Sgt. Paul Cox was given on children seat belt restraint and safety. Bay Fire-fighters also gave a "Jaws of Life" demonstration. (Echo staff photo by Ellis C. Cuevas)

Audit

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he also worked on straightening out Jackson County's books.

"You see if my staff are quitting because they're not having fun working ... I've got to change this," Dockens told council members.

Dockens said he would make a final decision on whether to audit the city's 1998 books, once the staff determines if the city's records are "audit able."

Council member James Thriffiley said he was at a loss to understand the persistent delays and "roadblocks" that the auditors are hitting, costing the city extra money and leaving prior year audits trailing in the distance.

Dockens said while Bay St. Louis gets a fee discount of some 25 percent, still the city's audit "takes far longer than it ought to" and costs "far more" than it should as a result of information delays.

Council approved a \$38,000 payment for 1997 work during its regular meeting on Tuesday. Since there's more work to be done on that audit, however, there will be additional charges.

In the meantime, the firm's report on 1996 indicated some serious accounting problems were still in place at that time -- including many flaws that had been pointed out by the firm in its 1995 audit.

While city officials have addressed some of the problems since they existed several years ago, the current condition of the city's financial affairs won't be clear until its 1998 books are audited.

And that's one of the key problems Dockens pointed to Monday night. He said ideally, an audit done in a timely manner would find problems that can be addressed quickly, rather than compounded as months and years go by.

At this point, Dockens said the main problem with tardy auditing is the data on the city's bond issues. Bond holders, he said, want current auditing. For instance, if the city is making more interest on its bonds than it's having to pay out, the auditors said, the bond holders' tax exemptions could be impacted.

Dockens said that's probably not the case with Bay St. Louis, but he warned that other municipalities and counties have "gotten caught with their pants down on that" situation.

Other than council members' questions to the auditors, there was almost no response from city officials. The mayor was not on

hand for the session, and Parker made almost no comment. He did say that the city isn't making more money on its bond revenues than interest being paid out.

City officials -- in the wake of 1995's audit criticisms -- have budgeted funds for a more sophisticated computer accounting system. It is not, however, in place.

Problems cited in the 1996 audit letter included day-to-day bookkeeping errors. "The problems result in inaccurate reporting of financial data reported on a monthly basis to management, weaknesses in internal control, and significant increases in time to perform the annual audit."

The auditors said many errors are compounded by incorrect adjustments made by city staff to the books.

Other findings for 1996:

--The city opened two new bank accounts that weren't added to the general ledger, and monthly bank reconciliations weren't performed for those accounts. "We ... recommend having all opened and closed cash accounts approved by the Council and included in the minutes as an added internal control measure," the auditors said.

--City policy of control over bad checks is not being adhered to. "Currently there are a number of old NSF checks for the utility department being held by the city," the auditors said.

They also said between September 1995 and September 1996, the city's utility accounts past due for more than 120 days increased by 23 percent, rising to over \$358,000.

The auditors recommended investigating the past due accounts to see if they are collectable, or if they should be written off. As in 1995, the auditors also found a few city employees who were delinquent in utility payments.

Redden said in a letter to council members Monday that the firm has backed off from the 1997 audit to meet other commitments.

Once Moore & Powell gets all the information it needs, she said, it will reschedule work to complete the audit.

Dockens, in response to one council member's question, said he could recommend a couple of reputable firms to do the city's 1998 audit, if Moore & Powell opts out.

Asked how long his firm had been auditing Bay St. Louis' books, he said "Since God was a child."

Valor

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ese enemy under fire from an exposed position with his grenade launcher. Expending his ammunition, he then joined his mortar crew in the assault. He then secured an M-16 rifle and resumed firing at the enemy. The next morning when the company was heavily attacked, losing all its officers, killed or wounded, and another 60 men killed or wounded, he bravely stood his ground throwing hand grenades and firing a grenade launcher, contributing greatly to a successful defense of the company position. Specialist Four McDonald's valorous actions were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army, 7th Cavalry Regiment, and reflect great credit on himself and the military service."

Mayor McDonald and other gathere around to personally congratulate McDonald after the award ceremony.

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Foster

Things worked out so well that Hosty and her husband were able to adopt that two-year-old, now their 12-year-old son.

That is not the typical scenario however, as Hosty points out. "Foster care is not adoption," she explained, "but we have been blessed with being able to adopt."

June and Jim Johnston have provided foster care for seven years to over 70 children.

"Our door has markers of the arrival heights of children who have stayed three months or more," said June Johnston. "When they're with you a year or two it's so hard (when they leave)."

The foster parents agreed that saying good-bye to a child was the hardest part of the job, but a necessary part.

"I know we're just here as a safe place until something can be worked out," Johnston said. "For the child's sake, they should be able to bond with someone."

Added Hosty, "The children may leave, but you're always go-

ing to have memories."

Rhonda Malley, the newest foster parent in the county, said her foster children have all had short stays.

"I'm fairly new," she said. "We have two children of our own and wanted more but couldn't have them, and we wanted to help other children."

Sometimes it is hard to make the placements work, especially with other children in the house.

"Some children just do not fit into the atmosphere of your home," said Hosty. She said that it has happened one or two times in the approximately 100 children she has taken into her home.

"You have to understand that these children do have problems," said Johnston. "They are not going to come in and do what you want them to do."

When children come into foster care it means they have been removed from their own home by the Department of Social Services and no appropriate relatives to care for them could be located. The result is a lot of adjustment for the children and

for the families who open their homes to them.

The foster parents work closely with the Department of Social Services and a caseworker assigned to the child. Foster parents may refuse placements which they do not think will be beneficial to the child, and other arrangements can be made for placements which do not work out.

Hosty said it is important that parents tell their own children what to expect in being a foster family.

"It is a 24-hour job, every day of the year. You don't get a day off," said Johnston. "But, they're so happy to know somebody loves them. They can feel the love."

"I realize now what it's all about is trying to get them situated, so they can move on," Newkirk said.

Lily Sams, a foster parent of 18 years, perhaps best summed up the feelings of those who have made the commitment to foster care by saying, "Some people see these children with their eyes, but I always see them with my heart."

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from casinos operating along the coast were expected to total \$5,225 million, but fell short of that figure. As a result, most requests for funding were prorated to reflect the amount of monies available.

"Because lease revenues fell below the anticipated \$5,225 million, the Secretary of State's Office was only able to disburse \$3,295,184.58 for this year's program funding," Wood said.

The city of Waveland had also requested \$300,000 to continue improvements to the Garland Ladner Pier, and Mayor John Mason got an identical letter from Wood, and an identical appropriation, \$189,197.

Bay St. Louis had requested \$400,000, mainly to continue improvements now underway and an extension to the Ulman Street Pier. Instead, that city received \$252,000.

Although the decreased funding apparently came as a shock to Hancock County supervisors, there was already moves behind the scene to open face-to-face talks with DMR.

After learning of the reduced funding, Buzz Olsen, the Bay St. Louis community development director, called the DMR to request a meeting to discuss the present and future of Tidelands funding. And, supervisors said the meeting is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. Friday at the County Courthouse.

"We basically want to know if this (decrease in revenues) is a one-time thing or is it likely to occur again," said Olsen. He said the meeting with DMR was "critical" since Bay St. Louis is scheduled to open bids on the continuation of the Ulman Street Pier improvements on

Friday.

The Echo asked Olsen how there could have been a difference of \$2 million in revenues generated by leases for water-bottoms that casinos have with the state. "Don't the leases require each casino to pay a guaranteed amount each year?" the Echo asked.

"There's a number of possibilities," said Olsen. He pointed out that the Lady Luck sold out to the Grand Casino, and revenue from that lease arrangement was lost, since the casino is no longer operating.

Olsen said the Treasure Bay Casino in Biloxi just recently came out of bankruptcy, and the new Palace on Point Cadet in Biloxi also had some financial problems.

"Maybe the Secretary of State made some kind of concessions to keep them afloat," said Olsen. "He certainly doesn't want them to go out of business," said Olsen.

The news was not all bad for Hancock County. Jeff Loftus, the county's liaison to the Gulf Regional Planning Commission, said he remained hopeful that the DMR would provide the county with some Wallop-Breaux federal funding to pay most of the costs of rebuilding the Dunbar and Washington Street piers that were damaged in last fall's freak storm and high tides.

Loftus said DMR had assured him that some funds would be made available soon, but was keeping the actual amount from him because the DMR planned to issue a news release on the funding in the near future.

Funding officials note that none of the beach road adjacent to the sand beach received any damage -- but the road sections which weren't protected by the beach were heavily damaged. Council member James Thriffiley said the a funding quest should be made for the entire stretch of beach front south of the Highway 90 bridge.

In another capital improvement matter, Favre said the city is poised to file eminent domain proceedings in court against CSX railroad, unless a last-minute agreement is reached for right-of-way in the bike path project.

"CSX and the city tangled over rights-of-way in the city's drainage project as well. The railroad is insisting the city close some vehicular crossings, for safety reasons, before it will approve the rights-of-way sought by the city."

In other matters Tuesday, city council:

--Heard a report from Building Official Bill Carriee concerning property side yard setbacks in Pecan Park subdivision. He'd been asked to make an inspection of Pecan Park, in the wake of some suspicions that homes had been built there closer to the property lines than the city code allows.

Carriee said he found three homes not in compliance with the 10-foot setback required, but all were constructed prior to 1993, when he took office.

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For those who intend to burn, they must have a permit from the Waveland Fire Department and pay particular attention to the restrictions listed on the permit. Mayor John Mason has also asked that debris put out on the street to be picked up not to be burned, as it will be picked up shortly.

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'98 Homecoming set for St. Stanislaus

St. Stanislaus will begin its 1998 Homecoming festivities on Friday, Oct. 23. Alumni of St. Stanislaus are invited to the activities to be held on the school campus which begin with a pep rally in the Brother Peter Memorial Gym at 2:30 p.m. Kickoff for the Homecoming game against Petal High School will take place at 7:30 p.m. at the Brother Phillip Memorial Stadium. The Homecoming Court will be formally presented and the queen will be announced during half-time.

The 1998 Homecoming Court members are Aimee Michelle Boudreux, Leslie Ann Esher, Kim Jee Young Frazier, Rachel Layne McDonald, Rachel Emma O'Dwyer, and Julia Marie Wilkinson.

Boudreux, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Charles Boudreux of Diamondhead, is a senior at Our Lady Academy. Aimee is currently the president of the student council, co-captain on the Princess Shoppe Teen Board, and vice-president of the National Honor Society. She is a member of the French Honor Society, Latin Honor Society, the varsity cheerleading squad for SSC, and Youth Legislature. She has been awarded for sportsmanship in tennis, the Sophomore English Award, the Trigonometry-Advanced Algebra Award, and Pepsi Student of the Month.

Esher, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Esher of Waveland, is a senior at OLA. Leslie is currently the senior class president and vice-president of the Crescent Athletic Club. She is a member of the Alpha Honor Roll, National Honor Society, French Honor Society, cross country, soccer, and track teams, S.A.D.D., Campus Ministry, yearbook staff, Youth Legislature, Mississippi Olympic State Development Soccer team, and Pensacola U-18

Select Soccer team. She has been awarded for community service in Hancock County, the HOBY Award, nominated for the Wendy's Heismann Athletic Scholarship Award, Who's Who Among American High School Students, Who's Who in Sports, state cross country team, state soccer team, Pepsi Student of the Month, and the Sportscare Scholar Athlete Award.

Frazier, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Frazier of Bay St. Louis, is a senior at OLA. Kim is currently captain of the varsity cheerleading squad for SSC. She is a member of the Alpha Honor Roll, National Honor Society, CYO, Youth 2000, S.A.D.D., swim team, Candelighters, and senior retreat team. She has been awarded the Academic Art Award and the Marine Science Award.

McDonald, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elliot McDonald of Pass Christian, is a sophomore at OLA. Rachel is currently the sophomore class secretary. She is a member of the Alpha Honor Roll, St. John Prayer Team, National Honor Society, S.A.D.D., Youth Legislature, track team, and a varsity cheerleader for SSC. She has been awarded the Science Award, Spanish Award, and Pepsi Student of the Month.

O'Dwyer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael O'Dwyer of Pass Christian, is a senior at Coast Episcopal. Rachel is currently the senior class president and the student council treasurer. She is a member of the swim, basketball, and tennis teams, S.A.D.D. and yearbook staff.

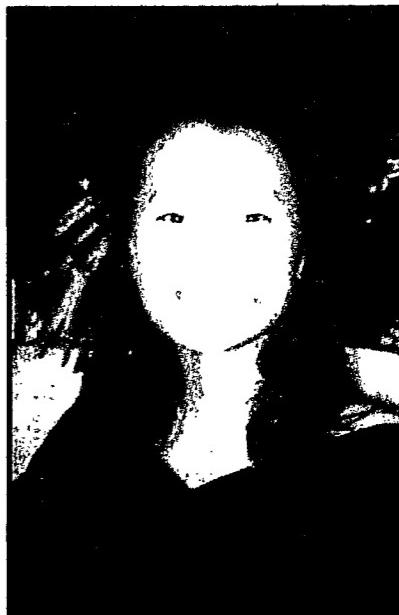
Wilkinson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Wilkinson of Pearlington, is a senior at Hancock High School. Julia is currently the president of the Health Occupations Students of America and president of St. Joseph's CYO. She is a member of the Honor Roll, Interact, and the volleyball team.



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Hancock High distributes first laptops

BY B.R. HAWKINS
Student body president Amy Cuevas was the first Hancock High School student to officially log on online with her personal StudyPro computer Monday morning.

Cuevas, along with other members of the high school senior class and the Techno-Hawks, a 15-member student team selected to assist in training on the StudyPro, were among the first to receive the 1,100 laptop purchased by the school for individual student use during ceremonies bordering on the historical.

"We are making history today," said Hancock Superintendent of Education Terry Randolph. "We are on the threshold of technology and with these laptops you are connected to world-wide resources."

Randolph, who spearheaded the movement to bring the computer project into fruition said the difference the laptops will make is immeasurable. "Until now, students have had one textbook and if it was new, it was often outdated before it ever made it into the classroom. Our students were

limited to textbooks, the research a teacher might bring to them and the resources our libraries might have. Today, they can connect immediately to subject matter that is

current and relative and many times till developing."

In January last year, the Hancock County Board of Education approved the purchase of 1,100 StudyPro laptop computers from the California-based NETSchools Corporation. The computers, which will eventually be distributed to all classes at the high school, were purchased with proceeds from a bond issue supplemented with state, local and district funds at a cost of approximately \$2 million.

"The world is watching this project," said Jim Garrett, NETSchools' area executive director from Atlanta. "This project makes Hancock High School's network the largest wireless LAN in the world."

The StudyPro is a six-pound laptop computer with a magnesium case, rubberhandle and bumpers, the ability to withstand temperature extremes, a mudflap covering ports in the back and a Plexiglass screen.

Students will be allowed unlimited access to word processing, database and spreadsheet software. In addition, the wireless units will be connected with 75,000 approved Internet websites, a server, and a printer via infrared caps in each class-room.

The teacher has a whole new opportunity to present students with lesson plans that reach far beyond the boundaries of the classroom, Hancock High School Principal Donnie Gholston explained. "Besides being able to assign work that can be researched on websites, students and teachers as well as parents can email one another for home-



Surfing the net

Sophomores Mandy Hall, left, and Laura Silas, surf to one of the 75,000 curriculum-based, educational resources sites on the world-wide web Monday morning in distribution ceremonies held at the high school. Hall and Silas are both members of the TechnoHawks, a 15-member group of students who will assist in helping students work with their StudyPro computers. (Echo staff photo by B.R. Hawkins)

work assignments, discussions and additional information."

But the learning process won't end in the classroom—the laptops have a battery connection that allows students and their family StudyPro use at home. Homework assignments can be electronically sent to school if a student is absent.

The program, according to

Garrett, is underway in other districts in California, Florida, Connecticut, and South Carolina. However, the Hancock project is the largest program ever undertaken in the country.

"This is really historical," Garrett said. "This is the kind of program educators across America dream of implementing. Hancock High School is living that dream."



First computer

Hancock High School student body president Amy Cuevas, right, receives the first StudyPro computer assigned to a student by school superintendent Terry Randolph Oct. 19 in ceremonies held at the high school. The program is the largest in the nation and gives the school the distinction of being on the threshold of technology. Hancock High School will distribute laptops to all of its high school students. Over 700 parents took part in recent training programs which help them be prepared for the student's personal use of their own computer. (Echo staff photo by B.R. Hawkins)

SPORTS

2B-THE SEA COAST ECHO—THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1998

Bob Harmon Football Forecast

NFL Forecast Sunday and Monday, Oct. 25-26

**Carolina, 14—Buffalo, 12

(Sunday) We're still waiting for the Panthers to show signs of the team they were two seasons ago, but if they lose to the Bills, we may give up. They've met once, in 1995, when Buffalo won 31-9.

**Denver, 27—Jacksonville, 20

A preview of the AFC Championship? Two of these clubs' three matchups have been in the post-season, most recently last year's first round, in which the Broncos punished the Jaguars 42-17.

**Green Bay, 32—Baltimore, 13

The Ravens have never met the Packers, but they were 6-8 against them in their previous life as the Browns, losing their last battle 1-20 in '95. About all either offense can do is pass.

**Miami, 20-New England, 19

Given the way the Dolphins are flailing when they have the ball, this pick is an upset. The Patriots have taken four in a row from Miami, including a 17-3 first-round playoff win last year.

Minnesota, 29—**Detroit, 13

The good news for the Lions in Week Three was that they were tied with the Vikings 6-6 at the half. The bad news was those 23 unanswered points they let Minnesota score in the second half.

*N.Y. Jets, 19—Atlanta, 14

Sure, the Falcons have surprised people, but they won't go far with inept defense, especially against the Jets, who love to throw. Atlanta leads the series 4-3 and won last, in '95.

**Oakland, 21—Cincinnati, 10

There won't be much offense from the Bengals against the Raiders defense, and Cincy can't stop anything, either — not even Oakland's listless attack. In '95 the Raiders were 20-17 winners.

San Francisco, 34—*St. Louis, 21

In the "We've got your number" category, the 49ers have won 15 straight against St. Louis — 15-12 and 30-10 last year. Then again — don't laugh — St. Louis can score against S.F.'s pitiful d.

THE HARMON FORECAST

Sat., Oct. 24 — Major Colleges — Div. 1-A		Other Games — East	
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Hankins wins first Brett Lacoste Memorial

Sun Coast Speedway held the first annual Brett Lacoste Memorial Race, which featured the Late Model class of cars. Brett lost his life on an auto accident which happened while he was returning home after participating in a Saturday night race at Sun Coast.

He had made his third appearance in a new Late Model, which was the realization of a lifelong dream, when the accident occurred.

Brett's wife, Kim, his mother and father and sponsors, Elise Epperson Sims and Art Overstreet were all on hand for the race. Sims donated the top prize of \$2,500 to the winner of the Late Model feature. Car owner Clay Wedgeworth and family were also present for the first of what will become an annual event.

Approximately 30 cars were on hand to qualify for the 24-car feature lineup. Rickey Hankins, coming off a poor performance last Saturday night, was near perfect on this occasion.

Hankins was fast qualifier with Lucky Keeton qualifying in the second spot, which locked in the front row starting positions for the feature.

The remainder of the field was made up based on heat race

finishing positions. Young Marty Hardy won his first ever race in the first heat of the night giving him a second row spot in the feature. Rusty Cooper and Vic Dolahite also won heat races.

Hankins claimed the lead on the green flag lap and was never headed on his way to the checkers as he re-established himself as the man to beat on the Sun Coast oval. Keeton also went flag to flag in the second spot but was unable to pressure Hankins for the lead.

The remainder of the field battled for positions, which were hard fought, resulting in much sheet metal damage and a number of cautions.

Keith Miller was able to move past Rusty Cooper and Handy who had shared the second row on the start but was unable to move up any further. Cooper and Hardy were able to hold on to the fourth and fifth positions, respectively as they charged to the finish line.

With a heat win and a fifth place finish, this was an outstanding night for Hardy, who is in his second year of racing. Jeff Cooper drove the number

13 of Brett Lacoste to a creditable showing finishing in the

top 10, although he sustained quite a bit of sheet metal damage in the process.

Another young driver having an outstanding night of racing was Anson Holley, who finished first in the Street Stock feature. Holley went flag to flag for the win over Noah Daspit and Rodney Barber. Barber and David Hough won earlier heat races.

Ronnie Roberts took advantage of the two front row starters, Rodney Bruce and Randy Deschamp dropping from the race in the early going to claim the Pro Stock feature win. Owen Kossab and heat race winner Mitchell Williams rounded out the top three.

Heat winner Kalif Sellier appeared to be headed for the win in the IMCA class before falling victim to mechanical problems. Chuckie Smith picked up the lead and held off heat winner Chris O'Conner for the win. Shane Sheffield finished third.

Jason Beauchamp had a perfect night winning both heat and feature races in the rookie division. James Dean and David Moore finished second and third in the feature.

Next week will be the final race of the season, and will be the 98 track championship race featuring additional prizes and prize money.

Rocks edged out of South State championship, 81-77

The St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaw and Our Lady Academy Crescent swim teams recently participated in the MHSAA South State Swimming Championships in Biloxi.

The Rocks missed the South State championship by a mere four points while the Crescents finished 14th overall. Picayune won the boys championship with 81 points just edging out Hattiesburg and SSC tied with 77 points in second place. On the girls side, the Biloxi Lady Indians won the meet with 165 points and look poised to claim their fourth straight state championship.

SSC/OLA head coach Joe Gex stated, "I was very impressed with both teams and their performances today. We swam hard and it showed. The girls dropped their time in each race and that shows that we are getting better with each meet."

"The boys narrowly missed the championship. We let the other teams get too far ahead in the middle of the meet. We gave it our best shot. We were in fourth place going into the last two events. Plus, we were missing a swimmer today. I'm not making any excuses for the team because Picayune is a great champion. They have a very solid team. I'm just saying that it would have been much closer had we had everyone there."

The SSC boys set four school records during the meet. Jamie Higgins placed first in the 200 individual medley with a school record time of 2:14.94. Higgins also placed second in the 500 yard freestyle with a record time of 5:28.69. Robin Herndon placed second in the 100 yard breaststroke with a record time of 1:10.54. The 400 yard freestyle relay team of Higgins, Herndon, Thad David, and Matt Finnilla shattered the school record and placed first with a time of 3:51.43.

The other top finishers for the boys were Finnilla in the 50 yard freestyle with a time of 26.52 good for eighth place. Ryan Veach placed 11th in the 50 free, followed by Donald Kimberlin at 16th.

Sean Clark, Chris Roth, and Josh Pittman placed 27th, 39th, and 52nd in the 50 free, respectively.

Andrew Nestor placed fourth in the 200 yard freestyle with a time of 2:14.62, followed by Veach in eighth place.

Evan Tusa placed 11th in the 100 yard butterfly with a time of 1:36.80.

Patrick Clark placed 10th in the 500 yard freestyle with a time of 7:03.42.

David placed eighth for the Rocks in the 100 yard freestyle with a time of 1:00.43, followed by Billy Bourgeois in ninth. Kimberlin was 13th while Roth and Pittman were 35th and 36th, respectively.

Finnilla placed ninth in the 100 yard backstroke with a time of 1:17.40, followed by Patrick Clark in 12th place.

Chris Mensi placed 11th with a time of 1:20.76 in the 100 yard breaststroke. He was followed by Sean Clark and Tusa in 15th and 17th, respectively.

Lauren Veach placed 39th. Wahl, Velazquez, Katheryn Kelly, and Wilkinson were OLA's other finishers.

Kennedy swam a school record time in the 500 yard freestyle to place 15th with a time of 7:15.22. Rivera placed 20th.

Rutherford placed 22nd for OLA in the 100 yard backstroke with a time of 1:29.35. She was followed by Analiz Velazquez in 31st and Veach in 36th.

The OLA A 200 yard medley relay team of Covington, Frazier, Alford, and Jung placed 14th with a time of 2:23.67. Team B from OLA consisted of Phares, Kennedy, Whitman, and Velazquez. They finished 21st overall.

In the 200 yard freestyle, Christine Rivera placed 43rd while Camille Covington took 13th overall with a time of 2:39.10.

Frazier claimed 17th place in the 200 individual medley with a time of 2:56.80.

Jung was the top performer for OLA in the 50 yard freestyle placing 20th with a time of 31.83. She was followed by Ashley Alford in 21st place.

Ashley Rutherford placed 27th overall for OLA.

Elizabeth Wahl took 24th place and Lauren Phares placed 32nd.

Two sisters, Sarah and Katheryn, placed 54th and 55th, respectively.

Other finishers for OLA were Jessica Velazquez, Candice Mixon, and Brett Breland.

Katy Kennedy placed 21st in the 100 yard butterfly with a time of 1:32.68.

Alford took top honors for OLA in the 100 yard freestyle finishing 24th with a time of 1:13.95.

Phares placed 28th while

we all swam well, we still have one week left in the season. That last meet is the state championships. It is being held in Biloxi. We can definitely still improve in a few areas. Hopefully, the swimmers will respond to the challenge. We will face 42 teams and stiffer competition rather than the 17 teams we faced in South State. It will be a very competitive meet."

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OLA and SSC will participate in the MHSAA State Swimming Championships in Biloxi on Saturday, October 24. The meet starts at 10:30 am.

Seizure Disorder Support Group

Those who suffer from a seizure disorder, and need the support of people who know what that means, may join the Kim Berglund Seizure Disorder Support Group. No pressure, no judgment.

The group meets the first Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in Classroom Theater I at Memorial Hospital at Gulfport. Call 865-3421 for details.

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The Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT) is requesting public comments on proposed transportation programs. The MDOT is preparing the Fiscal Year 1999-2001 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) for projects to be placed under contract after October 1, 1999, and prior to September 30, 2001. The STIP includes Highway, Transit, and Rail projects. The draft STIP is available for review at MDOT and Metropolitan Planning Offices listed below. Times available for review: 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday; comments deadline: November 4, 1998. Comments may be deposited at these sites or sent by mail to: State Planning Engineer 801-150, Jackson, MS 39215-1850.

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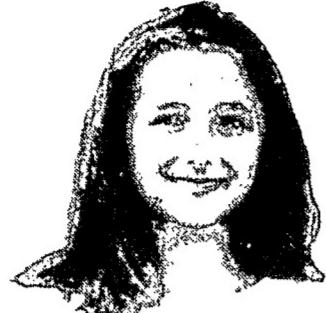
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Bay St. Louis Youth 1998 Football Homecoming Court

The Bay St. Louis Football/Cheerleading League hosted its jamboree and homecoming ceremonies Saturday, Oct. 3 at the Bay High football stadium. The following girls were chosen to represent the league as homecoming queen and maids and were escorted by football players. Other cheerleaders participated in the ceremonies by cheering on their teammates and friends as they were introduced. Chelsea Reeves was winner of the \$250 raffle prize.



1998 Queen Danielle LeBlanc, daughter of Sid and Rhonda LeBlanc. Danielle is in 3rd grade at North Bay Elementary. She was escorted by Joseph Elliott, son of Ree and Laura Elliott.



1997 Queen Ashley Bonney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Bonney. Ashley was the 1997 queen and returned this year to crown the new queen, Danielle LeBlanc.



Maid Amanda Brogle, daughter of Tammy and Brian Woods and Dwayne and Kathy Brogle. Amanda is in the 5th grade at Bay Middle School. She was escorted by Kevin Macuick, son of Ida and Paul Macuick.



Maid Kyrsten Smith, daughter of Mimi Smith and David Smith. Kyrsten is in 2nd grade at Coast Episcopal Elementary. She was escorted by Dustin Slade, son of Nicky and Theresa Slade.



Maid Taylor Turcotte, daughter of Stephen and Dee Dee Turcotte. Taylor is in pre-K at St. Clare Elementary. She was escorted by her brother, Tyler Turcotte.



Maid Aleyce Brogle, daughter of Daniel and Penny Brogle. Aleyce is in the 3rd grade at North Bay Elementary. She was escorted by Joe Boudin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joey Boudin.



Maid Shelby Bounds, daughter of Jerry and Stacy Beaugez. Shelby is in the 2nd grade at North Bay Elementary. She was escorted by Garrett Sotak, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Sotak.



Maid Brittany Alleman, daughter of Dwayne and Paulette Alleman. Brittany is in the 4th grade at Bay Middle School. She was escorted by Brennan Adam, son of Scotty and Tammy Adam.



Maid Bailey Perniciaro, daughter of Edward and Katherine Perniciaro. Bailey is in the 1st grade at Waveland Elementary. She was escorted by her brother, Brant Perniciaro.



Maid Tywanna Kaigler, daughter of Larry and Lois Kaigler. Tywanna is in the 5th grade at Bay Middle School. She was escorted by Christopher Word, son of Mrs. Rose Lewis Word.



Maid Candasha Parker, daughter of William Parker and Zadic Gillum. Candasha is in the 5th grade at Bay Middle School. She was escorted by her brother, William Thomas, son of William and Lillie Parker.



Maid Mignon May, daughter of Linda and Peter Graffeo and John May. Mignon is in the 5th grade at Bay Middle School. She was escorted by Henry Monti, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Monti.



Maid Karli Smith, daughter of Larry and Theresa Giveans and Kevin and Tonja Smith. Karli is in the 2nd grade at North Bay Elementary. She was escorted by Lance Tomasich, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mark and Terri Tomasich.



Maid Robyn Buehler, daughter of Andy and Pam Buehler. Robyn is in the 4th grade at Bay Middle School. She was escorted by Caleb McQueen, son of Wayne and Terry McQueen.

Youth minister joins Waveland church staff

The Rev. James "Stacy" Broadwater has been called as minister of youth and music by the First Baptist Church of Waveland. Broadwater is a graduate of Mississippi Delta Junior College, the University of Southern Mississippi and the Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary in California.

His wife, Leane, is a student at the Baptist Theological Seminary in New Orleans and will be working with him each Sunday. Their son, Joshua, is 15 months old.

The pastor of First Baptist in Waveland is Talmadge (Talley) Rayborn and invites all to come and grow with a new exciting ministry.



Third graders visit

Students from Ms. Mistretta's third grade at Coast Episcopal shop in Mr. Levy's General Store at Lynn Meadows Discovery Center. Volunteer Billie Weiing assists the students.

Coast Episcopal visits the 1890's at Discovery Center

Children from Coast Episcopal sat in Miss Lettie Pride's 1890's school room; shopped in Mr. Levy's General Store; made silly putty in science; and created old-fashioned memory albums in art.

All these activities are part of the fall programming at the Lynn Meadows Discovery.

"Our goal is for children to experience the 1890's through interactive activities," says Eva Jenkins, education coordinator, "and to appreciate the connections between now and then."

Ms. Mistretta's third grade class experienced shopping in Mr. Levy's turn-of-the-century general store. Derek Kim's assignment was to buy ingredients for a cake. No cake mixes available in this store.

"I got flour, baking soda, baking powder, milk, eggs and sugar for my cake," says Derek. "For the dress I'm making, I have this cloth and some thread," says Abby Johnson.

Discovery visit packets have been mailed to the principals of each elementary school in our six-county area. Grants from the Harrison County Tourism Commission and the Mississippi Arts Commission contributed toward the production of the discovery packets.

The packets contain information on what is needed to arrange a discovery visit. Discovery visits are offered Tuesday

through Friday, 9-11 a.m. or 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. (9 a.m. only on Friday).

The Lynn Meadows Discovery Center is an interactive

children's museum for young people, their families and schools providing exhibits and programs designed to teach through experiences while encouraging creativity.

The center offers six indoor exhibits, a museum store, a science lab and artist studio.

Located on six acres, the museum has outdoor exhibits which include a treehouse village, a Navy submersible, an or-

ganic garden and a performing pavilion.

In addition, different activities and workshops are planned each month. After-hours and special events rentals are also available at the Discovery Center.

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FICTION

- BAG OF BONES**, by Stephen King (Scribner, \$28) A series of terrifying events be-sets a best-selling novelist four years after his wife's sudden death. (BW)
- THE LOOP**, by Nicholas Evans. (Delacorte, \$25.95) A biologist finds herself facing professional and romantic problems while trying to protect wolves in Montana. (BK)
- RAINBOW SIX**, by Tom Clancy. (Putnam, \$27.95) John Clark, heading an international task force, investigates terrorist incidents in Switzerland, Germany and Spain. (BKW)
- I KNOW THIS MUCH IS TRUE**, by Wally Lamb. (Regan Books/Harper Collins, \$27.50) A troubled man must cope with his schizophrenic identical-twin brother and face the nightmares that have bedeviled their family. (BKW)
- TELL ME YOUR DREAMS**, by Signey Sheldon (Morrow, \$26) A series of brutal murders that may involve three young women leads to a bizarre trial and a defense based on startling medical evidence. (BW)
- MEMOIRS OF A GEISHA**, by Arthur Golden. (Knopf, \$25) The life of a young woman growing up in Kyoto who has to reinvent herself after World War II begins. (B)
- FIELD OF THIRTEEN**, by Dick Francis. (Putnam, \$24.95) Thirteen stories of suspense that center on the world of horse racing. (BW)
- SUMMER SISTERS**, by Judy Blume. (Delacorte, \$21.95) Two young women from very different backgrounds come of age together on Martha's Vineyard. (BW)
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- NO SAFE PLACE**, by Richard North Patterson. (Knopf, \$25.95) The perils suffered by a senator running for President in the year 2000. (BW)

NON-FICTION

- THE DEATH OF OUT-RAGE**, by William J. Bennett. (Free Press, \$20) The former Secretary of Education takes a critical view of the Clinton Presidency. (B)
- TUESDAYS WITH MORRIE**, by Mitch Albom. (Doubleday, \$19.95) A sportswriter tells of his weekly visits to his old college mentor, who was near death's door. (B)
- THE TEN COMMANDMENTS**, by Laura Schlessinger and Stewart Vogel. (Cliff Street/Harper Collins, \$24) The radio psychologist and a rabbi discuss the significance of the Ten Commandments in contemporary life. (B)
- HIS BRIGHT LIGHT**, by Danielle Steel. (Delacorte, \$25) The novelist recalls the life of her son Nick Traina, who suffered from manic depression and died at 19. (B)

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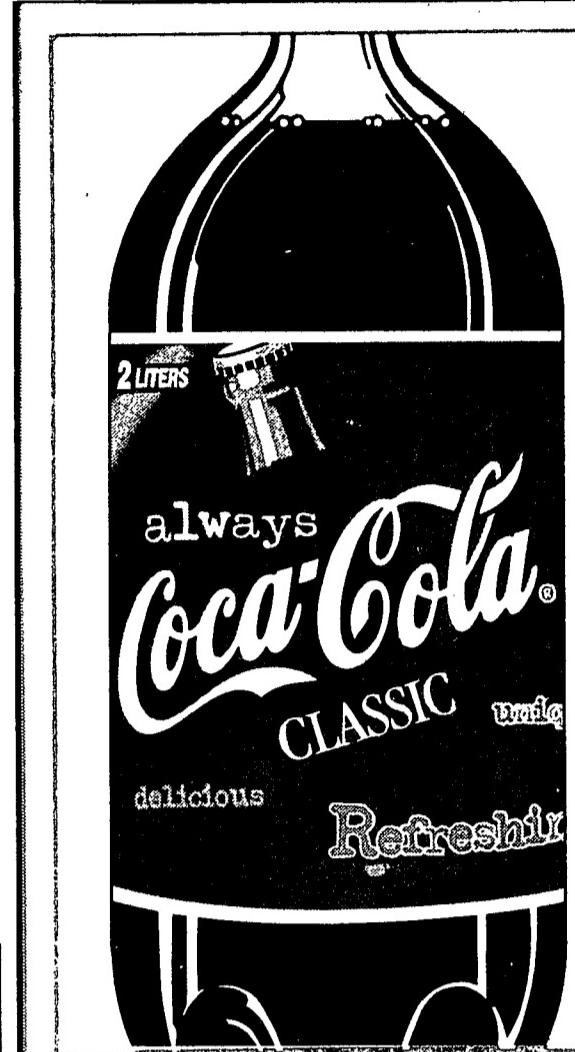
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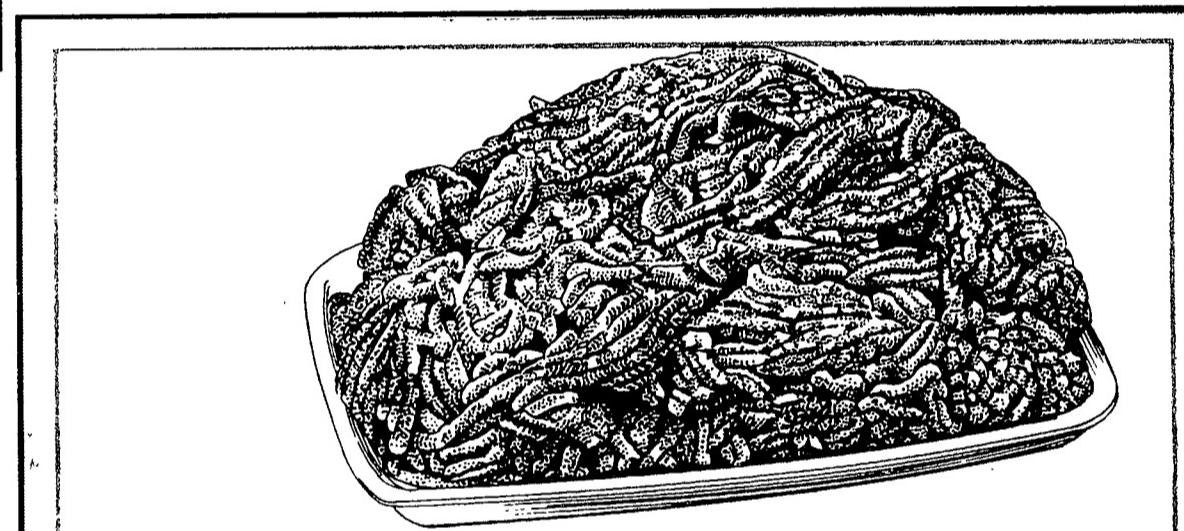
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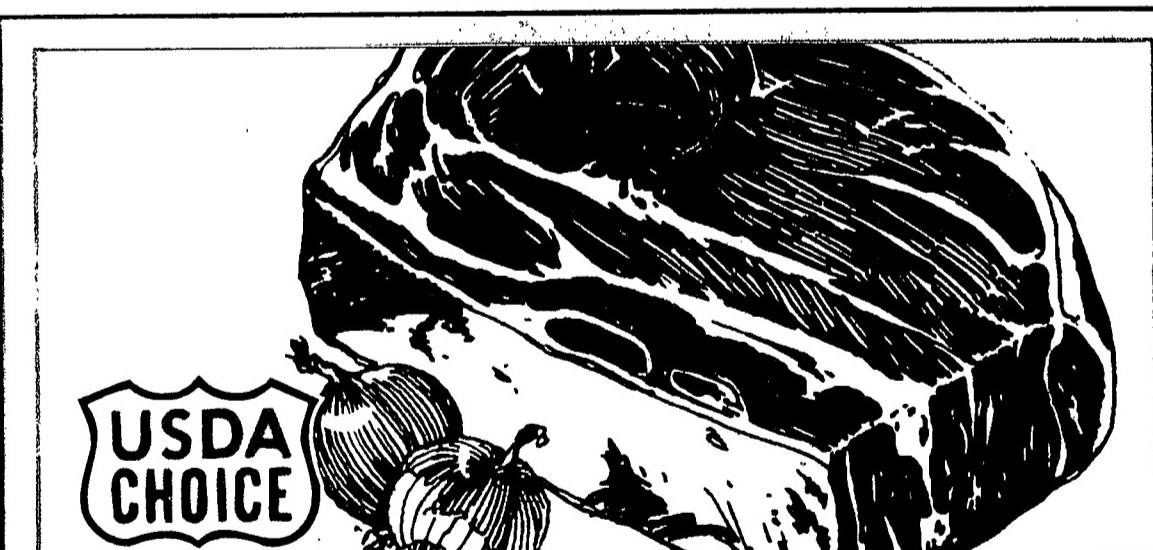


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QUICK CASH FOR ALMOST ANYTHING before yard sale hassel, moving or cleaning out. We buy households, furniture, antique, tools, toys, bric-a-brac, etc. Piece or house full. No answer leave message. 467-4857.

WE BUY (OLD) WATCHES, wrist, & pocket, rings, gold, estate pieces, musical instruments, \$ cash \$ Bayou Jewelers. 466-0425.

126 Campers/Motorhomes

1994 ALLEGRO BAY, 30,000 miles with transferable 75,000 mile warranty, 2 ac units, lg. generator, top condition. 467-0989.

U-PARK COVERED STORAGE FOR RV's, trailers, campers, boats at 624 Highway 90, Waveland, next to Police Department. Also available, mini-storages. Phone: 467-3935.

128 Boats & Motors

15' BAYLINE CUDDY CABIN, 85 HP Force, radio, fishfinder, runs great, needs starter, \$1,495. 463-0551.

18FT. FIBERGLASS, walk through windshield, inboard/outboard Mercruiser. GREAT SHAPE, many extras, MUST SELL, \$2,500 obo. 463-0269.

1996 20 FOOT BAYLINER TROPHY, 120HP, walk around cabin, depth finder & GPS, excellent condition, \$13,500. 1-601-794-6552.

19FT. FLEETWING, 170 HP MERCRUISER, galvanized trailer, \$1,500. 467-5558, 466-5974.

130 Motorcycles

1998 HONDA SHADOW 1100, GARAGE KEPT. 300 miles, extras, must sell! 463-0269.

136 Automobiles

1992 CUTLASS CIERRA S. 4 DR, V6, excellent condition, new tires, \$5,000. 466-6574.

1992 HONDA ACCORD LX, 5 SPEED, 142K miles (highway mi.), cruise, power locks, AM/FM/Cassette. \$5,499. 467-5662 or 467-1490.

96 FORD MUSTANG COUPE, WHITE, spoiler, all power, 20K miles, \$10,998. 0 Down. Ask for Danny Farrell, 504-641-9595.

1995 FORD TAURUS, loaded, excellent condition, \$7,750. Call 466-9856.

95 EAGLE VISION 4DR, MAROON, same car as intrepid. Loaded, low miles, \$7,998. 0 Down, \$169 per month. Ask for Danny Farrell, 504-641-9595.

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Automobiles

NOW AVAILABLE AT LAKESHORE CHRYSLER in Slidell, 30 minute approval on financing auto loans with little or no money down. For people with GOOD, BAD, or NO CREDIT Ask for Danny Farrell 504 641 9595

85. FORD, CROWN VIC, STATION wagon, blue, engine runs good, needs transmission, make offer. 467-2258

86. CHEV, SPECTRUM, AUTO, AM-FM, 4DR, 59K miles, blue, good 1st car \$1,200 466-9170

89. NISSAN, ALTIMA, 4DR, AUTO, AM/FM, 99,000 miles, \$1,500 467-4688

AUTO INSURANCE WITH MONTHLY PAYMENTS as low as \$24. Call Paul Smith Insurance Agency, 467-4607 or 467-1152

95 NISSAN ALTIMA, 4DR, SEDAN, gold, auto, ac, all power, \$7,998. 0 Down, \$169 per month. Danny Farrell, 504-641-9595

86. MERCEDES 420 SEL, WHITE, leather, sunroof, like new & out. \$6,998. Ask for Danny Farrell, 504-641-9595

95 HONDA CIVIC, 4DR, DX, AUTO, A/C, new car trader, \$7,998. 0 Down, \$169 per month. Danny Farrell, 504-641-9595

138 Trucks, Vans

'73 FORD PICKUP, LONGBED, auto, nice, \$900. 467-4688.

'87 DODGE CARAVAN, AC, AUTO, am/fm, \$1,050. 467-4688.

'88 FIERO, LOADED, \$875. 467-4688.

'88 PLYMOUTH VOYAGER, AUTO, AC, am/fm, \$975. 467-4688.

FOR SALE: 1993 BLACK ISUZU RODEO, runs good. Truck acc. added. 466-5297. Beepers 463-3270 leave message.

96 DODGE DAKOTA SPORT P/U, dark green, a/c, low miles. Alum. wheels, sharp! \$7,998. 0 Down, \$169 per month. Ask for Danny Farrell, 504-641-9595

GULF GROVE APARTMENTS - 1, 2 and 3 bedrooms. Corner of Hwy. 90 & Waveland Ave. Waveland. 467-3122.

ONE BEDROOM, ONE BATH STUDIO, \$275 month. (228)463-1131.

SIGNATURE LAKE APARTMENTS. One bedroom, starting at \$360; Two bedroom starting at \$395; Three bedroom at \$495. Section 8 welcome. Call about our move in special. 462-9901.

STUDIO APARTMENT ON THE WATER: boat dock, inground pool, \$200/deposit, \$375/monthly, utilities paid. Available November 1. Partially furnished. 467-5628.

STUDIO INN EXTENDED STAY HOTEL. Fully equipped kitchen/bath, living area, laundromat, queen size beds, cable. No lease. Starting at \$159.00 wkly. 466-5251.

Unique 2 bedroom floor plan, pool, tennis court. No utility deposit for qualifying residents. Flexible leases for transfers, appointments available after hours and weekends. \$495 month. Oak Park Apartments 467-6882.

UPSTAIRS LOFT: VERY BREEZY & light. Exc. neighborhood, lg. yard, near bay. Responsible renters only. Pet-smoke-drug free environment. 1-504-891-6085.

WHY PAY RENT? 3 BR/2 BA, 27" TV w/ surround sound entertainment system, security system. Owner financing, \$282/mo. Call 831-8020.

147 Apt. For Rent

1 BR, STOVE & REF., LOCATE 208 Carroll Ave., Apt. D, BSL, MS. \$300/rent with \$200 deposit. No lease. 228-467-5662 or 228-467-4613.

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148 Mobile Homes For Rent

2 BR/1 BA, h/a, carpeted, pet-free environment. Call 504-286-3819/leave message on recorder.

2 BR/1 BA WATERFRONT: quiet street. Good shape, Pet & smoke free environment. \$325/mo, \$200/dp. Sailfish St., Shoreline Park. 467-1380.

151 Furn. Houses For Rent

ONE BEDROOM FURNISHED APARTMENT rent \$400.00 month. Tel 467-4011

ONE BEDROOM COTTAGE FURNISHED, 1able fenced yard, workshop & storage building. \$325.00 per month. \$150.00 deposit. Tel 467-8137 after 6pm

152 Mobile Home Sites

ELMONT HARBOR NO RENT IN EXCHANGE for property security. Must have good trailer. 466-0688

DEAL TRAILER PARK RUELLA ST. 10 S.L. trailer space available. 467-4594

155 Manufactured Houses

AAA HOMES QUICK CREDIT HOT LINE
Need a home? Slow Credit? No Credit?
Bankrupt? Repo? For easy Private
Quick Credit app at No Cost Call
1-800-992-9728

156 Lots/Acreage

TO 16 ACRE TRACTS, 12 MILES East of Picayune on paved road. No mobile homes. \$25,996. \$1,000/down, \$300/mo. 367-6348

DIAMONDHEAD TWO ADJACENT LOTS for sale. Each lot 80X125. Will sell together/separately. \$25,000 obo 786-0648

EXTRA LARGE LOT ON DIAMONDHEAD DR EAST backing to 8th tee on 18-holes Course. 255-4391

LARGE, BEAUTIFUL LOT, great area, Waveland. All utilities. only \$18,500. Owner financing available 228-467-5734

LOT FOR SALE IN WAVELAND. 100 x 104 plus water & sewerage. Call 467-9617.

ONLY 700 FT. TO SAND BEACH in Waveland! 70x169. \$24,500. Call Alesia at Ashman-Mollere Realty, Inc. 467-5454

158 Commercial Property

15 Hwy. 90 WAVELAND. 600 sq. ft. building. Excellent retail location. Call 304-286-3819, leave message.

CHOCTAW VILLAGE: OFFICE & RETAIL space available. Talk to Gary T. Gilmore. 255-4396

FOR SALE: 2800 COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL bldg., one block off Hwy 90 in BLR. Great for business owner or investor. Currently rented. Large lot w/plenty of space to build, \$125,000. Call 467-3701 or 467-5516.

GET VISIBLE ON THE MOST TRAVELED street in town. Ideal location for your office, retail or service business. Coast Plaza, Corner Highway 90 and McLauren. Various size units available. 228-466-3333

159 Houses For Sale

ARTIC ST., 2 BEDROOM, 1 BATH, \$35,000. \$2,000/DOWN. NOTES \$350/month includes taxes & insurance. Owner Finance rent to own, new construction, 3BR, 2BA, fireplace, cathedral ceiling, \$75,000. \$6,000/down, notes \$680/month including taxes & insurance. Shipp Street, Waveland. Call Gold Coast. 467-4479.

BAY/WAVELAND AREA LARGE 4BR, 2 500 sq ft. Insured appraisal, \$110,000. Must sell. \$69,900. Consider lease purchase 466-5884

HOUSE FOR SALE-APPROX 1300 SF. 2 BR/1 BA. Large screen porch, close to beach. \$52,000. 467-7365

NEW 2 bedroom, 2 bath Walk to beach High elevation, fireplace, vaulted ceiling, vinyl siding. 202 Water St. 467-6660. 466-9491

Public Notice

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE WILL AND ESTATE OF ROY A. NELSON, Deceased
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NO. 980284

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 14th day of August 1998 by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, under the seal of the State of Mississippi. Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of this Court for probate and registration according to the law within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this notice or they will be forever barred.

THIS 17 day of October, 1998

EXECUTOR OF THE ESTATE OF ROY A. NELSON
DECEASED
ALLEN NESEK
LAW OFFICES OF NESEK
STATI, BAH NO. 5541

BRUNINI GRANTHAM GROWER & HEWES, PLLC
1400 Trustmark Building
Post Office Drawer 119
Jackson, Mississippi 39205
Telephone (601) 948-3101

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ANTHONY WILLARD MORAN, Deceased
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NO. 98-0714

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 5th day of October 1998 by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, under the seal of the State of Mississippi. Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of this Court for probate and registration according to the law within ninety (90) days from the date of first publication of this notice or they will be forever barred.

THIS 17 day of October, 1998

JENNIFER JEAN MORAN, Executor
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Public Notice

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S SALE
BY VIRTUE of the authority vested in me as Substituted Trustee, I do hereby give to MAGNA FEDERAL BANK Beneficiary James P. McFadden, by letter dated 10/1/98, and to WALTER W. PEPPER and ANDRA (GORDON) PEPPER, by letter dated 10/1/98 and recorded in Book 481 at Page 144 in the Records of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust on Land in the County of Hancock, Mississippi.

WHEREAS, I, Walter W. Pepper, Esq., Attorney at Law, 100 Main Street, P.O. Box 100, Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi, am the Substituted Trustee for the benefit of Green Tree Financial Servicing Corporation which Deed of Trust was recorded in Deed of Trust Book 476 pages 25-31 in the Records of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust on Land in the County of Hancock, Mississippi.

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Public Notice

NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that Bay-Waveland Mini-Storage 926 Highway 90 Waveland, Mississippi 39576 will sell to the highest bidder for cash the personal property of Alberta Saucier, whose last known address was 209 Waveland Street Metairie, LA 70001. An auction shall take place at 1:00 O'clock P.M. at Bay-Waveland Mini-Storage 926 Highway 90 Waveland, Mississippi 39576 on the 11th day of November 1998.

10-22-98

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

WHEREAS on June 26, 1997, Margaret W. Deluze executed a certain deed of trust to Dennis Holtfield Trustee for the benefit of Equi-Credit Corporation Al & Miss, which deed of trust is of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, State of Mississippi, on page 497, Page 607, and;

WHEREAS said Deed of Trust was subsequently assigned to U.S. Bank National Association, TR U.A. #090197 (Home Equity Loan Trust 1997-3) by instrument dated July 7, 1997 and recorded in Book 527 at Page 109 of the Hancock Chancery Clerk's Office and WHEREAS U.S. Bank National Association, TR U.A. #090197 (Home Equity Loan Trust 1997-3) has heretofore substituted Gary Massey as Trustee by instrument dated August 12, 1998 and recorded in the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's Office in Book 527, Page 124.

WHEREAS default having been made in the terms and conditions of said Deed of Trust and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said Deed of Trust, U.S. Bank National Association, TR U.A. #090197 (Home Equity Loan Trust 1997-3), the legal holder of said indebtedness, having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said Deed of Trust and for the purpose of raising the sums of money needed together with attorney's fees, trustee's fees and expenses of sale.

NOW THEREFORE I, Gary Massey, Substituted Trustee of said Deed of Trust, will on November 13, 1998 offer for sale at public outcry and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.) at the main office of U.S. Bank National Association, 209 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, to the highest and best bidder for cash the following described property situated in Hancock County, State of Mississippi 10-wif.

Begins at an iron stake where the Western POW line of Ballentine Street intersects the Northern POW line of Ballentine Street, Fourth Ward, City of Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi, thence N 70 degrees West 85.0 along said Northern line of Ballentine Street to an iron stake, thence E 20 degrees E. 90.0' to an iron stake, thence S 70 degrees E. 80.0' to the south end of the Western POW line of Ballentine Street, 16 degrees 49' West, 90.1' to the point of beginning, being a part of Lot 30, Fourth Ward, City of Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi.

I WILL CONVEY only such title as vested in me as Substituted Trustee.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE on October 6, 1998
J. Gary Massey
SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE FOR
U.S. Bank National Association, TR U.A. #090197 (Home Equity Loan Trust 1997-3)

Stamps & Mails
Deposit Guaranty Building
200 East Capitol Street, Suite 1745
Jackson, Mississippi 39201
(601) 968-9966

10-22-10-29, 11-5, 11-12-98

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
JOURDAN RIVER SHORES PROPERTY OWNERS CIVIC ASSOCIATION, INC., PLAINTIFF VERSUS

FRED GENTRY AND ANY AND ALL PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN AND/OR TO LOT 23, SQUARE 14, PHASE 2, JOURDAN RIVER SHORES PROPERTY OWNERS CIVIC ASSOCIATION, INC., DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS
CAUSE NO. 98-0143

You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by Donald C. Laird, Administrator. Plaintiff seeking to quiet ownership and place the heirs in possession of real property. Defendants other than you in this action are none.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the complaint or petition filed against you in this action at 9:00 o'clock a.m. on the 11th day of DECEMBER, 1998, in the Chancery Court of Hancock County, State of Mississippi, located at 209 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, to the highest and best bidder for cash the following described property situated in Hancock County, State of Mississippi 10-wif.

Begins at an iron stake where the Western POW line of Ballentine Street, Fourth Ward, City of Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi, thence N 70 degrees West 85.0 along said Northern line of Ballentine Street to an iron stake, thence E 20 degrees E. 90.0' to an iron stake, thence S 70 degrees E. 80.0' to the south end of the Western POW line of Ballentine Street, 16 degrees 49' West, 90.1' to the point of beginning, being a part of Lot 30, Fourth Ward, City of Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi.

I WILL CONVEY only such title as vested in me as Substituted Trustee.

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10-22-10-29, 11-5, 11-12-98

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
JOURDAN RIVER SHORES PROPERTY OWNERS CIVIC ASSOCIATION, INC., PLAINTIFF VERSUS

FRED GENTRY AND ANY AND ALL PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST

You have been made Defendants in the suit filed in this Court by JOURDAN RIVER SHORES PROPERTY OWNERS CIVIC ASSOCIATION, INC., Plaintiff, seeking payment of common area maintenance fees. Defendants other than you in this action are none.

You are required to mail or hand deliver a written response to the Complaint filed against you in this action to the Attorney for the Plaintiff, Kevin J. Nease, 1400 24th Avenue, Post Office Box 636, Gulfport, Mississippi 39502.

YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 22 DAY OF OCT., 1998, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGEMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.

You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward.

Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 14 day of Oct., 1998

(SEAL) Tim A. Kellar
Hancock County Chancery Clerk
By L. Scarborough, D.C.

Attorney for Estate
Patricia H. Willis
5407 Indian Hill Blvd
Diamondhead, MS 39025
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NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that Bay-Waveland Mini-Storage, 926 Highway 90, Waveland, Mississippi 39576, will sell to the highest bidder for cash the personal property of Linda Avard, whose last known address was 5047 Tennessee Street, Bay St. Louis, MS 39576. An auction shall take place at 1:00 O'clock P.M. at Bay-Waveland Mini-Storage, 926 Highway 90, Waveland, Mississippi 39576, on the 11th day of November, 1998.

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**STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK**

NOTICE OF SALE

TO: Jessie Burpo, Unit #1, John Legier, Unit #6; Calister Robinson, Unit #24; Alberta Saucier, Unit #48; Sandra Dempsey, Unit #56; Eddie Isham, Unit #77; Laura A. Gibson, Unit #105; Shirley Jackson, Unit #106; Holloman, Unit #116; Brian Collier, Unit #18

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Said auction will be conducted at 604 Russel Street in front of units #6, #24, #77, #105, #106, #116, #18, #118, 118, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520, beginning at 10:00 AM on the 30th day of October, 1998.

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Pumpkins' spooky year means scarce harvest

By Linda Breazeale
MSU Ag Communications

The success of the 1998 pumpkin crop depended on the availability of August rains or irrigation. For most growers, this wasn't their year.

Pumpkins grow best in dry and warm (but not hot) conditions, said Dr. David Nagel, Extension horticulturist at Mississippi State University.

"They are drought tolerant, but not that tolerant. They aren't desert plants," Nagel said. "Two of the state's pumpkin growers who irrigate had a great year, but the rest of the growers were lucky if they had an average year."

Nagel said about one-third of the state's pumpkin crop was bad. The 1996 crop was the best in recent years. Growers did not have to contend with the disease and insect pressures of past years.

Pumpkin is a high-dollar crop. If cotton prices stay down more, growers will turn to pumpkins," Cummings said.

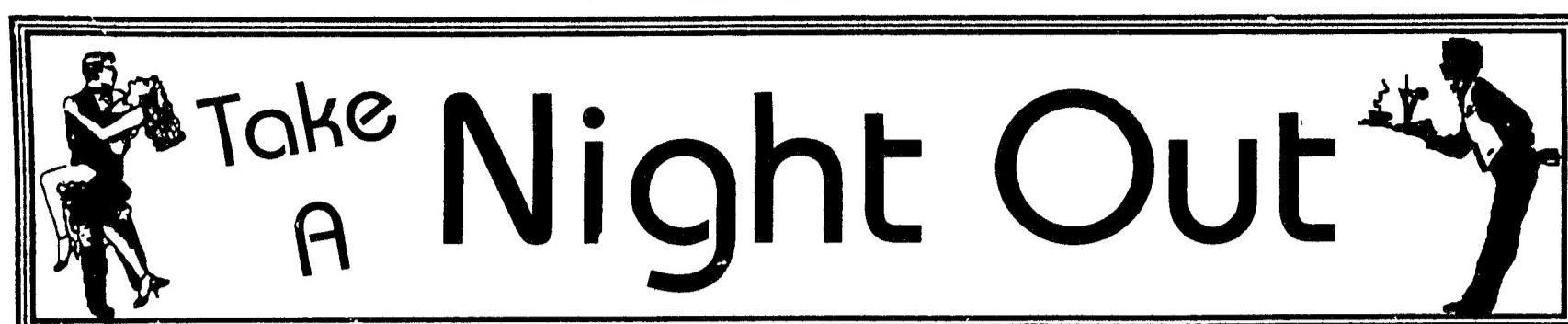
"Pumpkins are good to follow after harvest with wheat as a double crop."

Nagel offered these tips for picking the perfect Halloween pumpkin.

Look at the top and bottom of the pumpkin. The stem should be corky in the middle. After sitting on the ground, the bottom may be weak.

"Make sure the pumpkin is firm all over. If it is already soft, it will only get softer. Choose a pumpkin that looks healthy, not dull," Nagel said.

If you want a pumpkin for cooking purposes, look for a pumpkin that is heavy for its size. Nagel also suggested waiting until after the Halloween rush. Prices should go down slightly around Nov. 1.

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Tues-Fridays, Bobby Allison, noon-4 p.m., main lobby stage, free.

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Oct 17, Vince Vance (Long Beach Police Benefit)

Oct 18, Sammy Kershaw at 8 p.m. Tickets, \$20, \$25 and \$30

Oct 28, Gladys Knight. Tickets \$25, \$30 and \$35.

November Concerts:

Nov. 5, Roy Clark 7-9 p.m. Tickets \$15, \$20 and \$25

Nov. 15, Long Beach Police Benefit, featuring Vince Vance at 5 and 8 p.m. Ticket are \$10 for adults, \$5 kids.

Tickets available at Ticket Master or in person at the Casino Magic Gift Shop. Entertainment subject to change. For information, call the Entertainment Hotline 1-800-5 MAGIC-5, ext. 4015.

Halloween**Slot Tournament**

\$3,000 in cash prizes

Oct. 30, noon to 8 p.m.

First round begins at 11 p.m. 10 minute rounds thereafter. Register at VIP Services (upstairs in casino).

Entry fee is \$25.

Charity Slot Tournament

Monday, Nov. 9

Registration begins at 9 a.m. in the casino lobby.

Bucktown Seafood Festival

The Bucktown Seafood Festival is scheduled for Oct. 23-25, 1600 Lake Avenue, Metairie.

The festival will feature authentic Bucktown seafood, local exhibits, festival posters, live music by The Claiborne Playboys (Fri., 7 p.m.), Red Hot Blues Band (Sat., 3 p.m.), Vieux Carré (Sat., 6 p.m.), and the Topcats (Sun., 4 p.m.).

Festival hours are Friday, 6-11 p.m., Saturday, noon-10 p.m., Sunday, 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Admission is free.

For information, call 833-8224.

Jackson Zoo 'Fright Night'

There will be 'Fright Night' at the Jackson Zoo, sponsored by the Friends of the Jackson Zoo. Halloween festivities are set for Saturday, Oct. 24, 6-9 p.m.

The spooktacular event will provide Halloween fun for the entire family. Smaller children will be tricked and treated 6-8 p.m. in 'Haunted Hollow.'

The 'Trail of Terror' will lead to thrills and chills at every turn. Be sure to ride the 'Train of Horror.' A limited number of

Four Tops to play at the Isle

It may be the "same old songs," but they'll be better than ever when performed by the Four Tops at the Isle of Capri Casino Crowne Plaza Resort this month. Four Tops fans can enjoy a live concert by the legends who launched Motown as a musical empire Saturday, Oct. 24.

The show will begin at 8:30 p.m. in the Flamingo Bay Ballroom as the group performs many of their classic hits, including "Baby I Need Your Loving," "Reach Out" and "I Can't Help Myself."

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Gladys Knight appears at Magic

A little group had hits in four decades on several labels including Motown, Buddah, Columbia and MCA. Ten records reached No. 1 on the R&B chart, five became Top 20 pop hits, and three were awarded Grammys. What little group might that be? Gladys Knight and The Pips.

Gladys Knight appears at Casino Magic Bay St. Louis Oct. 28 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$25, \$30 and \$35 through Ticketmaster or may be purchased in person at the Casino Magic Gift Shop. Seating is limited.

Graced by Knight's voice and dramatic choral arrangements of the Pips, the group transcended countless musical fads, achieved mainstream and international success in the mid 70s and made some of the most memorable records of our time: 'Every Beat of My Heart,' 'Letter Full Of Tears,' 'I Heard it Through The Grapevine,' 'Midnight Train to Georgia,' 'Best Thing That Ever Happened to Me,' and others.

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With friends Dionne Warwick, Elton John and Stevie Wonder she recorded "That's What Friends Are For" to benefit AIDS research and teamed with other greats in "A Tribute to Curtis Mayfield," released on Warner Brothers Records.

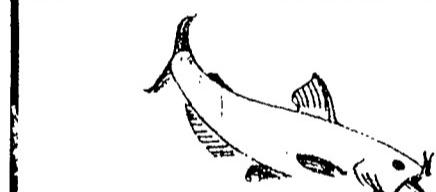
June 1995, Knight received a star on the "Hollywood Walk of Fame" and in January 1996, Gladys Knight & The Pips were inducted into the Rock n' Roll Hall of Fame.

On March 24, in the Las Vegas Review-Journal's 15th anniversary edition of the "Best of Las Vegas," Knight was voted "Favorite Female Las Vegan."

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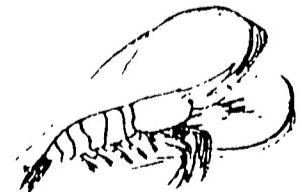
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